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SAILING TO PLYMOUTH AND LONDON CALLING AT MARSEILLES.

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Date.	Steamer.	Tons.
1920		
18th December	Kalyan	3,987
22nd „	Morvada (a)	8,193
25th „	Mantua	10,885
1921		
1st January	China	7,932
6th „	Mashobra	8,185
8th „	Caledonia (b)	7,572
15th „	Devanha	8,092
22nd „	Sicilia (c)	8,983
29th „	Morea (d)	10,890
5th February	Kaisar-I-Hind	11,480
12th „	Plassy *	7,846
19th „	Malwa	10,883
26th „	Naldera	15,825

(a) "MORVADA"—B. I. Company's Fares Calls at Port Said and Plymouth only.

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SAILING TO STRAITS AND CHINA AND AUSTRALIA.

Date.	Steamers.	Remarks.
31st December.	Naldera	Calls Colombo, Fremantle, Adelaide Melbourne and Sydney.

SAILING TO AFRICA, KARACHI AND PERSIAN GULF.

Date.	Steamers.	—
28th Dec.	Karapara	East and South Africa.
17th „	Lhasa	Karachi direct
8th „	Linga	Karachi via Kathiawar Ports 9-30 a.m.
1st „	Manshobra	Karachi direct
22nd „	Varela	Busreh direct.

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REGULAR SERVICE TO JAPAN VIA SINGAPORE, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

Steamers	Commanders	Tons	Arrivals	Departure.
*Muroran Maru	K. Yamada	5854	19th Dec.	26 Dec.
Tenshin Maru	C. Hideshima	4921	24th Dec.	4th Jan.
Yoshida Maru No. 3	M Kojaka	4646	15th Jan.	22nd Jan.

*This steamer arrives from New York via Karachi, and sails for Calcutta via Colombo.

For freight and passage apply to

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	Captain.	Arrival.	Departure.
Siam Maru	S. Kondo	14th Dec.	28th Dec.

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SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ...	Yen 70,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL	Yen 40,000,000
RESERVE FUND	Yen 14,200,000

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BRANCHES:

Bombay
Bingomachi
Dotonbori
Hakata
Hankow
Hiroshima
Honolulu
Hyogo
Kawaguchi
Kobe
Kure
Kurume
Kyoto
London
Moji
Nagoya
Nakanoshima
New York
Nihama
Onomichi
San Francisco
Seattle
Semba
Shanghai
Shimonoseki
Tokyo
Toriaburacho
Wakamatsu
Yanai
Yokohama

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and interest allowed half yearly on daily balances of Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 1,00,000 at 2 per cent. per annum provided the sum accrued amounts to Rs. 5.

FIXED DEPOSITS received for 12 months and far shorter periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

Every description of BANKING and EXCHANGE business transacted.

J. SATO,
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LONDON, E. C.

BRANCHES:

Bombay, Calcutta, Colombo, Baghdad Basrah, Basrah City, Amara, Billah, Mosul, and Bahrein.

Authorised Capital	£2,000,000
Paid Up Capital	£765, 342
Reserve Fund	£220,000
Reserve Liability of Shareholders	£1,197,40

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INTEREST allowed on Savings Deposit at 4 per cent. per annum.

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INCORPORATED UNDER THE INDIAN COMPANIES ACT VI OF 1882.
HEAD OFFICE:
ORIENTAL BUILDINGS, BOMBAY.
BRANCH: Ahmedabad.

	Rs.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED	2,00,00,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP	1,00,00,000
RESERVE FUND	66,00,000

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

Interest is allowed on daily balance from Rs. 300 to Rs. 1,00,000 AT THE RATE OF 2½ PER CENT. PER ANNUM THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. On sums exceeding Rs. 1,00,000, interest is allowed by special arrangement. No interest will be allowed which does not amount to Rs. 3 per half year.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Deposits are received fixed for one year or for shorter periods at the rates of interest which can be ascertained on application.

SAVINGS BANK accounts opened on favourable terms—Rules on application.

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BRANCHES: Ahmedabad, Navsari, Mehsana, Dabhoi, Surat and Bombay.

	Rs.
Capital Subscribed	60,00,000
Capital Paid-up	30,00,000
Reserve Fund	14,00,000

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

INTEREST allowed on daily balance from Rs. 300 to Rs. 1,00,000 at the rate of 2½ per cent. per annum and on sums over Rs. 1,00,000 by special arrangement. No interest which does not come to Rs. 3 per year will be allowed.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Received for long or short periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

LOANS, OVERDRAFTS AND CASH CREDITS.

The Bank grants accommodation on terms to be arranged against approved securities.

The Bank undertakes on behalf of its constituents the safe custody of shares and securities and the collection of dividends and interest thereon; it also undertakes the sale and purchase of Government Paper and all description of stock at moderate charges, particulars of which may be learnt on application.

SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS.

Deposits received and interest allowed at [illegible] per cent. per annum. Rules on application.

C. E. RANDLE,
General Manager.

BANKING.

THE BANK OF MORVI LIMITED

(REGISTERED IN BOMBAY).

HEAD OFFICE:—Fort Bombay.

BRANCH:—Shroff Bazar (Bombay) and Surat.

LONDON AGENTS, The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd.

Subscribed Capital........	Rs. 1,60,00,000
Paid-up Capital	Rs. 40,00,000
Reserve liability for calls ...	Rs. 60,00,000
Reserve and Contingency Funds	Rs. 2,63,000

CURRENT ACCOUNTS—Interest at 2 per cent. all round the year on sums of Rs. 300 to Rs. 1,00,000.

FIXED DEPOSITS—Received for 12 months and shorter periods.

SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS—Received at 4 per cent.

STERLING DRAFTS AND TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFERS on London bought and sold.

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All kinds of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

C. I. PAREKH & CO.,
Agents.

THE

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Incorporated by Special Charter of the Imperial Japanese Government, 1899.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ...	Yen 60,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL	Yen 45,000,000
RESERVE FUND	Yen 9,080,000

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BRANCHES:

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NEW YORK
SHANGHAI
HONGKONG
SINGAPORE
BATAVIA
SEMARANG
SOORABAYA
TOKYO
KOBE
OSAKA
YOKOHAMA
MOJI
AMOY
CANTON
FOOCHOW
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AKO
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CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS are opened and FIXED DEPOSITS are received for one year and shorter periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

Every description of BANKING and EXCHANGE Business transacted.

I. IHARA,
Manager.

50, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay.

THE TATA INDUSTRIAL BANK, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE: BOMBAY.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL ...	Rs. 12,00,00,000/
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL	Rs. 7,58,73,150/
PAID-UP CAPITAL	Rs. 1,51,51,016/4/
RESERVE FUND	Rs. 8,50,000/

BRANCHES, London, Calcutta, Delhi, Cawnpore, Hyderabad (Deccan), Lucknow, Madras, Rangoon.

SUB-BRANCHES—
Bombay—Share Bazar, 20 Apollo Street.
Shroff Bazaar, 297, Shaik Memon Street, and Mandvi, Musjid Bunder Road.
Calcutta—Bara Bazaar.
Rangoon—Bassein.
Lucknow—Aminabad and Chandausi.
Cawnpore—Hathras.
London Office 9, Bishopsgate.
London, E. C.

Sir D. J. Tata Kt., Chairman, Board of Directors.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and interest allowed on daily credit balances from Rs. 500/ to Rs. 1,00,000/ at the rate of 2½ per cent. per annum and on sums exceeding Rs. 1,00,000/ interest is allowed by special arrangement. No interest is allowed unless the sum accrued amounts to Rs. 5 half-yearly.

FIXED DEPOSITS.—Interest allowed on Deposits fixed for one or two years and for shorter periods at rates to be ascertained on application.

SAVINGS BANK.—Interest allowed on Savings Bank Accounts at 4 per cent. per annum. Rules may be obtained on application.

LOANS AND CASH CREDITS are granted on approved Securities.

PURCHASES AND SALES of Securities and Shares effected.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE purchased and collected and every description of Banking and Exchange business undertaken.

L. D. L. BUCKLEY,
General Manager.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

(Registered in Japan.)

ESTABLISHED 1880.

Subscribed Capital	Yen 100,000,000
Paid-up Capital	Yen 74,000,000
Reserved Fund	Yen 50,000,000

Head Office:—YOKOHAMA.

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Branches:—

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CURRENT DEPOSIT Accounts are opened for approved customers, and Interest is allowed at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum of daily balances of Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 1,00,000 provided that the amount of half-yearly interest is not less than Rs. 5.

FIXED DEPOSITS are received for one year or shorter period on terms which may be ascertained on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

N. OTSUKA,
Manager.

Post Box No. 204.
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BANKING.

THE UNION BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

	Rs.
AUTHORISED CAPITAL	5,00,00,000
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL	4,00,00,000
CALLED-UP CAPITAL	60,00,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ON 18-9-20	50,68,715

HEAD OFFICE:
7, Murzban Road, Fort, BOMBAY.

SUB-BRANCHES:
Zaveri Bazar, 289, Shaik Memon Street.
Share Bazar, Rogay Building, Apollo Street

LONDON AGENTS:
THE LONDON COUNTY WESTMINSTER AND PARR'S BANK, LIMITED.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS:—Interest allowed at 2½ per cent. per annum on DAILY BALANCES up to Rs. 1,00,000. From 1st January to 30th June interest at 3 per cent. per annum is allowed on sums over Rs. 50,000 provided the balance does not fall below the figure. No interest is allowed unless the sum accrued amounts to Rs. 3 half-yearly.

FIXED DEPOSITS: received for one year and for shorter periods at rates to be ascertained on application.

SAVINGS BANKS. Interest allowed at per cent. per annum. Rules on application.

LOANS AND CASH CREDITS are granted on approved securities at favourable rates.

SHARES AND SECURITIES purchased and sold.

Banking business of every description transacted.

A. B. OLIPHANT,
Ag. Manager.

THE PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 19TH MAY, 1895.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Capital authorised	50,00,000	0	0
Capital Issued	31,00,000	0	0
Capital Subscribed	31,00,000	0	0
Capital Paid-up	16,65,017	8	2
Reserve Funds	15,69,858	4	5

Dividend of the rate of 12 per cent. per annum has been declared, by the Bank in paid-up capital.

HEAD OFFICE: LAHORE.
BRANCHES:

Amritsar
Bombay
Calcutta
Cawnpore
Delhi
D. I. Khan
Ferozepore
Gujranwalla
Gojra
Hapur
Hoshiarpur
Hyderabad (Sindh)
Jullundur
Jammu
Jhelum City
Karachi
Kasur
Lahore City
Lyallpur
Ludhiana
Multan City
Montgomery
Peshawar City
Patiala
Quetta
Rawalpindi
Sargodha
Sialkot
Srinagar
Umballa City

CURRENT ACCOUNTS are opened and interest allowed at the rate of 2½ per cent. per annum.

FIXED DEPOSITS are received for 12 months and shorter periods at rates of interest which can be ascertained on application.

SAVINGS BANK DEPOSIT.—Sums as low as Rs. 5 received and interest allowed at 4½ per cent. per annum.

LOANS, OVERDRAFTS and CASH CREDITS.—The Bank grants accommodation on terms to be arranged against approved security.

CHEQUES, HUNDIS, BILLS, etc., of outstations are bought, collected and discounted.

INLAND TRADE BILLS, etc. of approved customers discounted and Demand Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers issued on stations where the Bank has Branches and Agencies.

For other particulars and rules of business apply to:

RUPCHAND KAPUR,
Manager.

THE BOMBAY MERCHANTS BANK, LIMITED.

Head Office—APOLLO STREET, FORT.
Branch:—MUMBADEVI (in the City).

	Rs.
AUTHORIZED & ISSUED CAPITAL	10,00,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL	10,00,000
RESERVE FUND	87,407
CONTINGENCY FUND	1,15,706

DIRECTORS.

The Hon. Mr. Goculdas Kahandas Parekh Chairman.
The Hon. Mr. Mahomed Hajeebhoy. (Messrs Hajeebhoy Lalji & Co.).
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CURRENT DEPOSITS—Interest allowed 3 per cent. per annum on Rs. 300 to Rs. 1,00,000.

SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS—Interest allowed at 4½ per cent. per annum.

FIXED DEPOSITS—Interest allowed at 6½ per cent. per annum on Rs. 500 and upwards for twelve months. Rates for short term deposits may be ascertained from the Bank.

LOANS, CASH CREDITS AND OVERDRAFTS given on approved securities.

LOCAL DEMAND BILLS collected free charge.

Copies of rules may be obtained from the Bank on application.

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DR. PRABHAKAR S. SHILOTRI, M.A. Ph.D.
Managing Director

BANKING.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Subscribed Capital	£1,800,000
Paid-up Capital	£1,050,000
Reserve Liability of Shareholders	£ 750,000
Reserve Fund	£1,050,000

HEAD OFFICE:
14, Gracechurch Street, London, E. C.

LONDON BANKERS:
The Bank of England.
London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

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Batavia
Bombay
Calcutta
Colombo
Delhi
Galle
Hongkong
Howrah (Calcutta)
Kandy
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Madras
Mauritius
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CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

opened and interest allowed thereon at 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances up to Rs. 1 lakh.

Every description of BANKING and EXCHANGE business undertaken.

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FIXED DEPOSITS.

Fixed Deposits are received for twelve months and shorter periods at rates to be ascertained on application.

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J. B. CRICHTON,
Manager.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Incorporated in Hongkong.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL	$15,000,000
STERLING RESERVE FUND...	£1,500,000
SILVER RESERVE FUND	$23,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS	$15,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

LONDON OFFICE: 9, Gracechurch Street, E. C.

BOMBAY OFFICE: 43, Churchgate Street.

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Bangkok
Batavia
Calcutta
Canton
Colombo
Foochow
Hankow
Harbin
Hongkew
Ipoh
Johore
Kobe
Kuala Lumpur
Lyons
Malacca
Manila
Nagasaki
New York
Peking
Penang
Rangoon
Saigon
San Francisco
Shanghai
Singapore
Sourabaya
Tientsin
Tsingtao
Vladivostock
Yloilo
Yokohama

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or

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72, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay.

THE JUPITER GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Subscribed Capital	Paid up Capital
Rs. 1,50,00,000	Rs. 23,74,790

Head Office: BOMBAY

FIRE MARINE,
CONSEQUENTIAL LOSS

CHIEF AGENCIES:

AHMEDABAD	Laxmidas L. Saraya Special Representative
CALCUTTA	Andrew Yule & Co., Ltd.
KARACHI	Rameshwardas Banarsidas
MADRAS	W. H. Brady & Co., Ltd.
RANGOON	Tookersey Moolji & Co.
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Bombay-Branch.
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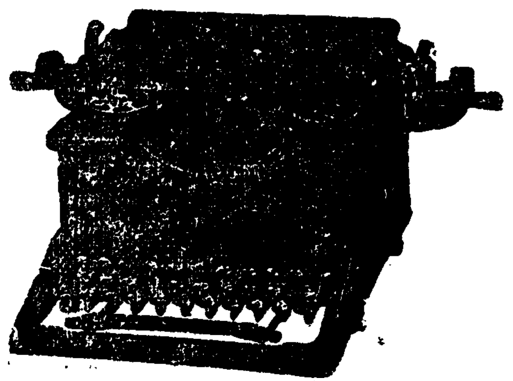

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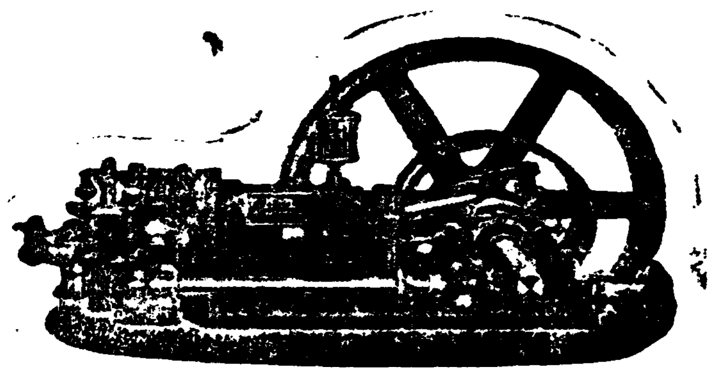

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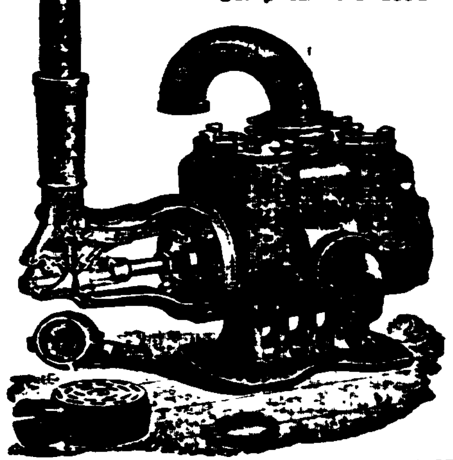

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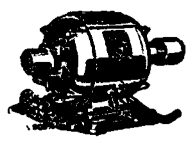

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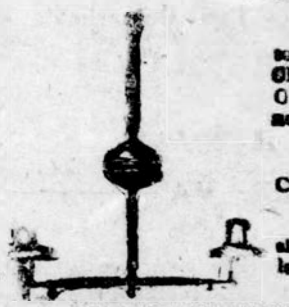

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DAILY CHANGE OF PROGRAMME

SATURDAY, the 25th December
CLEOPATRA
(Million Dollar Fox Production)
Novel by Rider Haggard,
Featuring Theda Bara.

SUNDAY, the 26th December.
LES MISERABLES
(Million Dollar Fox Production)
Novel by Victor Hugo,
Featuring William Farnum.

MONDAY, the 27th December
DAUGHTER OF THE GODS
(Million Dollar Fox Production)
Featuring Annette Kellermann.

TUESDAY, the 28th December.
SALOME
(Million Dollar Fox Production)
Featuring Theda Bara.

WEDNESDAY, the [illegible] December.
WOMAN
(Maurice Tourneur Special Production)
Featuring Florence Billings.

THURSDAY, the 30th December.
WOMAN THOU GAVEST ME
(Paramount Special Production)
Novel by Sir Hall Caine,
Featuring Katherine Macdonald.

FRIDAY, the 31st December.
WOMAN GOD FORGOT
(Cecil B. Demelle's Production)
Featuring Geraldine Farrar.

SATURDAY, 1st January, 1921.
THE WHIP
William Brady Production
Screen Virgin of the Famous Drury Lane Success.

SUNDAY, the 2nd January.
LEST WE FORGET
Metro Special Production
Featuring Rita Jolivet.

MONDAY, the 3rd January.
WHOM THE GODS WOULD DESTROY
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TUESDAY, the 4th January.
THE TERROR ISLAND
Paramount Artcraft Production
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WEDNESDAY, the 5th January.
DARBY AND JOAN
From the pen of Sir Hall Caine featuring Dervent Hall Caine, the author's son and the beautiful star Ivy Close.

THURSDAY, the 6th January.
GIRL OF THE SEA
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FRIDAY, the 7th January.
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'Passing of the Third Floor Back'
Featuring Sir Johnson Forbes Robertson

Monday 27th December 1920
'Triumph of Venus'

Tuesday 28th December 1920
'Thelma'
Marie Corelli's Most Admired Novel

Wednesday 29th December 1920
'Mr. Wu'
featuring Mathesan Lang

Thursday 30th December 1920
The Wonder Story of the Age
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From the original story by
Edgar Rice Burroughs

Friday 31st December 1920
'Romance of Tarzan'
The Cataclysmic Romance of a Primeval Man and his modern mate

Saturday 1st January 1921
Charlie Chaplin
in the Trenches
'Shoulder Arms'

Sunday 2nd January 1921
'Vendetta'
Marie Corelli's Great Work

Monday 3rd January 1921
'Masks and Faces'
Starring every leader of the British Stage

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'Holy Orders'
Marie Corelli's Masterpiece

Wednesday 5th January 1921
'Within the Law'
Featuring Alice Joyce

Thursday 6th January 1921
'Better Ole'
The Great War Play

Friday 7th January 1921
"Infatuation"
featuring Gaby Deslys

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The Wonder-story of the age
"TARZAN OF THE APES"
From the original story
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To-morrow Sunday 26th December 1920
'Romance of Tarzan'
The Cataclysmic Romance of a Primeval Man and his Woman mate

Monday 27th December 1920
'Mickey'
Featuring Mabel Normand

Tuesday 28th December 1920
The Tale of most famous Lovers
'Romeo and Juliet'
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Francis Bushman and Beverley Bayne

Wednesday 29th December 1920
'Intolerance' Part I
Or Love's Struggle through out the Ages

Thursday 30th December 1920
'Intolerance' Part II

Friday 31st December 1920
Charlie Chaplin
in
'Burlesque on Carmen'

Saturday 1st January 1921
'Merchant of Venice'
Featuring
Mathesan Lang

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'Last Days of Pompeii'
Love's story in terrific setting

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'Barrier'
The famous Novel by Rex Beach

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'Macbeth'
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'Deemster'
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'Mahabharat'
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as the "SIREN of the Nile".

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NOTE. On this Joyous Christmas Day, Messrs. K. D. and Brothers will give away as Prizes Gold Bangles, studded with real gems. These Prizes are offered in the 5 p.m. and 6-45 p.m. (S. T.) Shows, and will be confined exclusively to ticket-holders of Box and Sofa seats.

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AUCTION SALE OF 7 "DAIMLER" LORRIES (3 TONS CAPACITY.)

On WEDNESDAY, the 5th January 1921, Messrs. MEHTA and Co., will sell by Public Auction at the China Bagh, Girgum Back Road.

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The above Lorries are on view at the place of Auction.

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED GOODS AND SWEEPINGS AT WADI BUNDER GOODS DEPOT, G. I. P. RAILWAY.

Under instructions from the G. I. P. Rly. Co. and in accordance with Sections 55 and 56 of the Indian Railway Act No. IX of 1890, Messrs. MEHTA and Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 29th, and THURSDAY, the 30th instant, both days at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), at the above address the following unclaimed goods and sweepings consisting of bags of linseed, bags of rapeseed, bags of rice, bags of turmeric, bags of castor-seeds, bags of wheat, bags of cotton seeds, bags of hirda, bags of tilly, cases of tea, cases of machinery, cases of glass chimneys, cases of glass bangles, cases of luggage, cases of boots, empty gas cylinders, bundles of hemp, bundles of coir ropes, bundles of C P goods, baskets of catachu, bundles of forms, tins of oil, drums of oil, bundles of iron bars, bundles of carpet, bundles of gunnies, bundles of horns, bundles of pipes, empty wooden casks, etc., etc.

A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required at the time of sale and in special lots if the Auctioneers demand, full amount shall have to be paid and the goods to be removed within 10 days from the date of sale, otherwise wharfage will be charged at one anna per maund per day.

AUCTION SALE OF A LARGE PIECE OF LAND AT THE MANMALA TANK NEAR TULSI WATER PIPE AT MATUNGA, DADAR.

On SATURDAY, the 15th January, 1921, at 4-30 p.m., (S.T.) Messrs. MEHTA and Co., will sell by Public Auction at the premises the following very valuable landed property on account and at the risk the defaulting purchasers Messrs. Eussufally Abdul Hoosein Taibji Abdul Hoosein and Kamrudin Abdul Hoosein, under instructions from Pandit Shivdulare Ramlal, the first purchaser herein from Bai Nangi widow of Pandit Kishanlal Shridhar and Janakprasad Lahuram the receiver of the estate of the said Pundit Kisanlal Shridhar.

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All that piece or parcel of vacant paddy field or land of the redeemed pension and tax land tenure situate at Manmala Matunga, Dadar, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay admeasuring 1,117 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 82 New No. 3620 Old Survey No. Nil New Survey No. 2/B75 and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward No. 4001 and Street No. 362 and bounded as follows:—That is to say on or towards the North and West by the lands belonging to the Church of Saint Salvaca. on or towards the South by the land belonging to J. M. D. Mello and on or towards the East by the Tulsi Water Pipe and which said premises were formerly and are now in the possession of the Vendors.

Further purticulars, conditions of sale, and inspection of title-deeds can be had of Messrs. Malvi, Mody Ranchhoday and Co., the Attorneys for the first purchaser Pundit Shivdulare Ramlal, at their office at 79, Medows Street, Fort, or of the undersigned.

MEHTA & CO.,
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Bombay, 25th December, 1920.

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BONA-FIDE SALE.

On MONDAY, the 27th day of December, at 2-30 p.m., at the English Trading Co.'s shop on Hornby Road, Fort, opposite Messrs. Phillips and Co., by order of the owner closing business, the remaining stock-in-trade, consisting of jewellery, silver, and plated ware, cutlery, leather goods, steel trunks, toys, perambulators, glass show cases, cupboards, electric fans, etc., etc. by J. S MODY and Co.

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On WEDNESDAY, the 29th day of December, 1920, at 2-30 p.m., (S.T.) Messrs. J. S. MODY and Co., will sell by Public Auction at "Daria Numa" Bungalow near Siri Road on Chowpatty under instructions of Sir Mahomed Yusuf Haji Esmail, Haji Alimahomed Haji Cassum, Haji Mahomed Haji Suleman and Ismail Haji Dawood the Trustees of the Will of the late Mr. Suleman Hassain Soudagar:—

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Bombay, 25th December, 1920.

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY SITUATE AT KAMATIPURA 14TH STREET.

Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO., Auctioneers, will under instructions from and by order of Mr. Hajee Esmail Ahmed Porbunderwalla the owner sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 29th December 1920 at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.), on the premises the undermentioned property.

PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of quiet and ground rent land or ground, containing by admeasurement 95 5/9 Square Yards or thereabouts together with all messuages, tenement or buildings standing thereon, situate, lying and being at Kamatapura 14th Street outside the Fort of Bombay in the registration sub-district of Bombay, and assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 4774-4775 and New No. 11138-11139 Old Survey No. 4307-4308 and New Survey No. 6896-6897 and assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under E Ward No. 2158 and Street No. 124-126 and bounded on or towards the East by the house of Noormahomed Kolsawala on or towards the West by the house of Mithibai wife of Kalu Bhagu on or towards the North by the said Kamatipura 14th Street, and on or towards the South by a sweeper's passage.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the undersigned Austioneers.

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Bombay, 25th December 1920.

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AUCTION SALE OF 2500 BAGS OF BELGIAN LOAF SUGAR.

Under instructions from the office concerned and on account and risk of the defaulting purchaser, Mr. Joseph H. Gareh of Gool mansion Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co., will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 28th December, 1920, at 3 p.m. (S.T.), at their Auction Rooms No. 16, Apollo Street, Fort

2500 bags of Belgian R. T. Loaf Sugar each 36 loaves arrived per s. s. "Schiedijk."

A deposit of 25 per cent. required at the time of sale and goods will be sold on delivery orders.

SALE TO-MORROW.

AUCTION SALE on SUNDAY, the 26th December 1920 at 3 p.m. (S.T.)

Under instructions from J. Schiff Esqr. Bombay Police, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction at "Candy House" Apollo Pier, opposite Taj Mahal Hotel, on SUNDAY, the 26th December, 1920, at 3 p.m. (S. T.), the household furniture comprising drawing room, dining room, bed room, dressing room, furniture and glassware, crockery, etc., etc.

THE AUCTION SALE OF 90 CASES OF HORSE NAILS NOS. 4, 5 AND 6 OF "LION" BRAND.

H. C. Suit No. 98 of 1920.
Abdul Husein Jiwaji vs. Dayashanker Laxminarayan.

Under instructions from Messrs. Tyebji Dayabhoy and Co., Solicitors for Messrs. Abdul Husein Jiwaji, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 27th December, 1920, at 3 p.m. (S. T.), at their Auction Rooms, No. 16, Apollo Street, Fort, the following:—

90 cases each of 10 packets of Horse Nails Nos. 4, 5 and 6 of "Lion" Brand, will be sold by Public Auction in pursuance of the directions contained in the Consent Decree dated 14th September, 1920.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO THE CAPITALIST.

A VALUABLE PROPERTY AT THE JUNCTION OF GOA STREET AND FRERE ROAD.

Under the instructions of Mr. Munchershaw B. Chothia, the Solicitor of the Vendor and on account and risk of the defaulting purchaser Bai Gomtibai Ghirdhardas Cooverji, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, the 10th January, 1921, at 4-30 p.m., on the premises:—

PARTICULARS:—All that piece or parcel of land situated at the corner of Frere Road and Goa Street, on the Mody Bay, Port Trust Estate belonging to the Trustees of the Port of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement three hundred and sixty-four square yards and one-ninth of another square yard, or thereabouts and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the North by other land belonging to the said Trustees and now in the occupation of Chabildas Motiram as lessee, on or towards the South by Goa Street, on or towards the East by the land belonging to the said Trustees and now in the occupation of the said Chabildas Motiram as the Lesses, and or on towards the West by Frere Road, which said premises are situated in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay, and are registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue Bombay under New Survey No. 8480 and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal rates and taxes under A. Ward No. 1887, Street Nos. 91-93, 5021.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

BENARES HINDU UNIVERSITY.

WANTED.—A STENO-TYPIST for the Vice-Chancellor's Office. Salary Rs. 100 to Rs. 200 according to qualifications. Applications will be received by the undersigned up to the 15th January, 1921.

A. B. DHRUVA, M.A., LL.B.,
Pro.-Vice-Chancellor.

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For particulars of freight, etc., apply to Messrs. MACKINNON MACKENZIE & CO. Agents. 6350

NOTICE.

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE KILACHAND MILLS, LTD.

THOSE SHAREHOLDERS, who have not yet paid in either the Allotment money or the amount of two Calls already made, are hereby notified by the following resolution of the Directors.

The Board hereby require you in terms of the Article of Association of the Company to pay the said amount and interest thereon on or before the 10 day of January, 1921, to the Company at its registered Office at the above address.

The Board has further resolved that in the event of non-payment at or before the time named, the shares in respect of which the said amount is due will be liable to be ferferfeited and also to give you notice, which we hereby do, that all shares the amount due in respect whereof is not paid by the date aforesaid, will be forfeited accordingly, and you will remain liable to pay any sum or sums unpaid in respect of the Calls on the said shares notwithstanding forfeiture.

By Order of the Board,
KILACHAND DEOCHAND & CO.,
Agents.

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EAST INDIAN RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

ENHANCEMENT OF RATES FOR PUBLIC COAL, COKE AND PATENT FUEL

WITH effect from 1st April, 1921, Coal Coke and Patent fuel in full wagon loads, at owner's risk, loading and unloading being done by owners, booked on public account from any station to any station on the East Indian Railway and *via* will be charged at the following scale of rates, both in local and through booking:—

	Pies per md. per mile
For all distances up to 200 miles inclusive	0.15
Plus for any distance in excess of 200 miles and up to 300 miles inclusive	0.13
Plus for any distance in excess of 300 miles and up to 700 miles inclusive	0.07
Plus for any distance in excess of 700 miles	0.06

2. The above scale is exclusive of the East Indian Railway terminal charge of Re. 0-2-0 per ton, which will be levied in addition.

3. Public Coal, Coke and Patent fuel booked to stations on Foreign Railways, which have adopted the above scale, will be charged at this scale on the actual through distance from start to destination and all terminals, transhipment and other extra charges due, will be levied in addition. Public Coal, Coke and Patent fuel booked to stations on the Foreign Railways, which have not adopted the above scale, will be charged over the East Indian Railway at the above scale from the booking station up to the Junctions with such railways and the charges for the remaining distance will be levied as per the Tariffs of the Foreign Railways in force from time to time.

G. D. M. HINDLEY,
Agent,
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Calcutta, 7th December, 1920.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

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Application forms may be obtained from the undersigned and applications will be received only up to 31st January, 1921.

By order of Board of Directors.
M. D. DARU.
Secretary.

Medows Street, Fort,
Bombay, dated 22nd December, 1920.

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BANK OF BOMBAY.

THE BANK will be CLOSED on FRIDAY, and SATURDAY, the 31st instant and 1st promimo those days being Public Holidays (New Year) under the Negotiable Instruments Act 1881.

R. AITKEN,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Bombay, 23rd December, 1920.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Nippon Yusen Kaisha's s.s. "Tnshin Maru" are hereby informed of the steamer's arrival on 24th December, 1920, from Japan via Hongkong. Singapore and Colombo and requested to send in their Bills of Lading to this Office for counter-signature without delay. No survey will be held on cargo damaged or in doubtful condition unless a written application for such survey is received by the undersigned within seven days from the date of discharge. Capt. J. C. Richards of Messrs. Ericson and Richards, Company's Surveyors, will be attending Docks every morning to survey damages. Cargo removed from the Landing Shed or warehoused is not entitled to the survey. No survey will be held on bag cargo in single gunnies. The Bills for Claims are to be sent into this Office within one month from the date of Steamer's arrival otherwise they will not be entertained.

T. TAGAMI,
Manager,
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

NOTICE.

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J. P. BRANDER,
Collector of Bombay.

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THE CONSULTING SURVEYOR
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6969 18th December 1920.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

THE AMBAJI TARANGA LIGHT RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Share-holders of the Ambaji Taranga Light Railway Company, Limited, will be held on MONDAY, the 3rd January, 1921, at 4 p.m., (Standard Time) at the Company's Office in Fort Bombay to transact the following business:—

1. To adopt the Director's Report and the Audited Statement of Accounts made up-to 31st March, 1919.
2. To appoint Auditors for the next year, and to fix their remuneration.

To transact such other business as may be brought forward by the Chairman.

G. K. DALAL.
Manager and Engineer-in-Chief.
By order of the Directors.

Bombay, 23rd December, 1920.

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THE AMBAJI TARANGA LIGHT RAILWAY CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the Ambaji Taranga Light Railway Co., Ltd., will be held at the Company's Office 4, Bruce Lane, Bombay on MONDAY, the 3rd January 1921, at 4-30 p.m., (S.T.) when the subjoined resolutions will be proposed as extraordinary resolutions.

(1) That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this meeting that the Company cannot by reason of its liabilities continue its business and that it is advisable to wind up the same and that accordingly the Company be wounld up voluntarily.

(2) That Mr. Gokuldas Kilabhai Dalal A.M.I.C.E., be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up.

The shareholders will be asked to fix a suitable remuneration for the liquidator and to pass the necessary resolutions in that behalf.

G. K. DALAL.
By order of the Board of Directors,
Ambaji Taranga Light Railway Co., Ltd.
Bombay, 23rd December, 1920.

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NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS for the work of additions and alterations to the P. R. Male Training College, at Ahmedabad, in form F—2, will be received on Wednesday the 5th January 1921, B. N. Estimated cost of the work is Rs. 106,188, Earnest money Rs. 1,000 to accompany the tender.

2. Tender forms can be had in the undersigned's office during office hours for Rs. 2 each. All particulars required will be given during office hours.

3. It will rest with the Chief Engineer to accept the lowest or any tender. No reason will be assigned for rejected tenders.

A. X. MORAES.
Executive Engineer,
Ahmedabad District.

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THE BHURTPORE PRESS CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Company will be held on FRIDAY, 31st, December, 1920 at the Registered Office of the Company No. 312-14, Bora Bazar Street, Fort, at 2-30 p.m. (B.T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' report and the duly audited Profit and Loss Account, for the year ending 30th, June, 1920 and Balance Sheet as at that date of the Company.
2. To sanction the declaration of a Dividend.
3. To elect Directors in the place of the Directors who retire by rotation but are elegible for re-election.
4. To appoint an auditor for the ensuing year and to fix his remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 27th, December, 1920 to 12th, January, 1921, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
PREMJI OOKERDA & CO.,
Secretaries and Agents.

Bombay, 23rd December, 1920.

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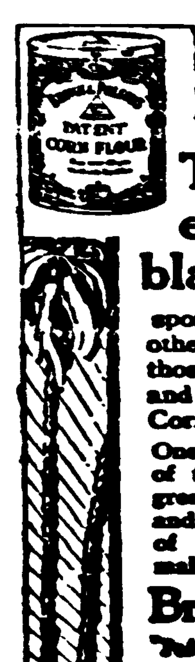

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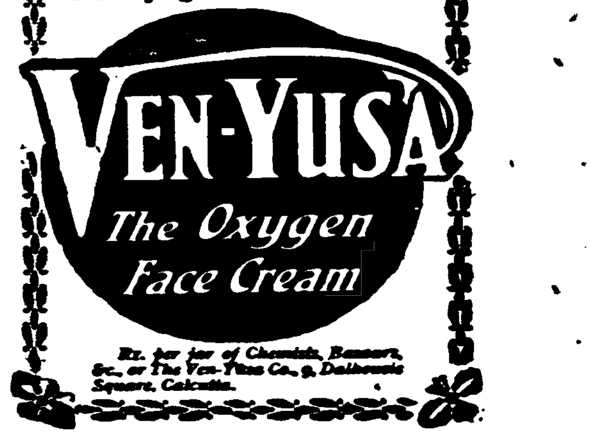

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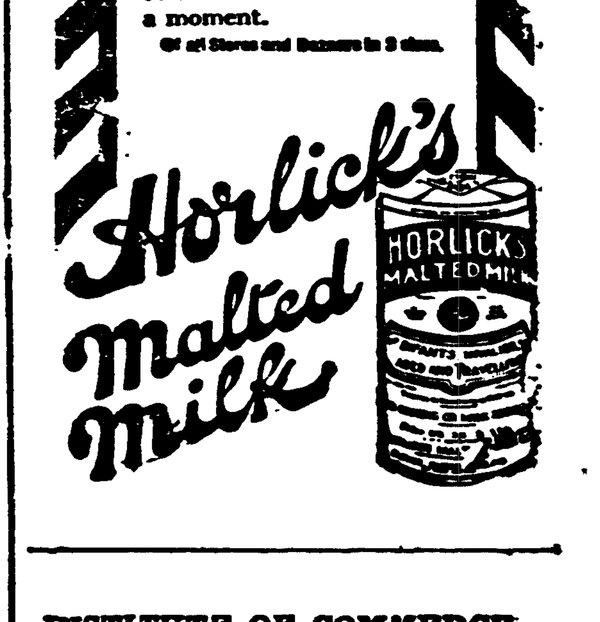

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COMMERCIAL.

CABLE QUOTATIONS.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

Liverpool, Dec. 21st.

		Bales.
Total Days Sales at Liverpool		3,000
" " Sales on Spec. & for Exp.		—
" " Sales of East Indians		Nil
" " Imports		—
Mid. American Spot		11.41
Egyptian F.G.F. Sakels		26.00
New York 11 a.m. (As known in Liverpool at closing time)	Mar.	14.75
	May	14.90
	July	15.03
New Orleans 10 a.m.	Jan.	14.00
	Mar.	14.30

Liverpool, Dec. 22nd

		Bales.
Total Days Sales at Liverpool		3,000
" " Sales on Spec. & for Exp.		—
" " Sales of East Indians		350
" " Imports		—
Mid. American Spot		11.23
Egyptian F.G.F. Sakels		25.00
New York 11 a.m. (As known in Liverpool at closing time)	Mar.	14.35
	May	14.45
	July	14.52
New Orleans 10 a.m.	Jan.	13.34
	Mar.	13.68

OPENING TONE AND PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 22nd

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES :—

Months.	To-days prices.
Dec.	—
Jan.	10.17
Feb.	—
Mar.	10.34
April	—
May	10.48
June	—
July	10.56
Aug.	—
Sept.	—
Oct.	10.45
Nov.	—

Prices taken at 10-10 a. m. nearest actual values.

CLOSING PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 21st.

Months.	To-day's prices.
Dec.	10.24
Jan.	10.39
Feb.	10.45
Mar.	10.57
April	10.63
May	10.70
June	10.73
July	10.76
Aug.	10.73
Sep.	10.69
Oct.	10.66
Nov.	10.63

Tone :—Steady.

Manchester Market :—Sluggish.

Liverpool, Dec. 22nd.

Months.	To.day's prices
Dec.	9.84
Jan.	9.95
Feb.	10.03
March	10.12
April	10.18
May	10.25
June	10.29
July	10.33
Aug.	10.31
Sept.	10.28
Oct.	10.26
Nov.	10.22

Tone :—Easy.

Liverpool, Dec. 22nd.

Months.	To-day's price.
Jan.	9.95
Mar.	10.12
May	10.25
July	10.33

Liverpool, Dec. 23rd.

Months.	To.day's prices.
Jan.	9.97
Mar.	10.11
May	10.24
July	10.30

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

Liverpool. Dec. 21st.

M.G. Bengal Good	6.07
" " Fully Good	6.57
" " Fine	7.07
" No. 1 Oomra Good	7.50
" " " Fully Good	8.25
" " " Fine	8.85
" Broach Good M.G.	8.90
" " " Fully Good	9.40
" " " Fine	9.90
" Scinde, Good	6.25
" " " Fully Good	6.75
" " Fine	7.25

Liverpool, Dec. 22nd.

M.G. Bengal, Good	5.82
" " Fully Good	6.32
" " Fine	6.82
" No. 1 Oomra, Good	7.25
" " " Fully Good	8.00
" " " Fine	8.60
" Broach, Good	8.65
" " Fully Good	9.15
" " Fine	9.65
" Scinde, Good	6.00
" " Fully Good	6.60
" " Fine	7.00

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 21st.

Day's Receipts at all U. S. Ports	52,000
" Exports to Great Britain	13,000
" " to Continent	27,000
Futures at New York March	14.62
" " " May	14.74
" " " July	14.80
Spot Cotton at New York	15.25
" " " Orleans	14.00
Futures at New Orleans March	13.93
" " " May	14.09
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality)	6 15/16
Demand Bills	3.51.00
U. S. Mined	99 1/2
" " Foreign	62 1/2

New York, Dec. 22nd.

Futures at New York Mar.	14.08
" " " May	14.18
" " " July	14.25

New York, Dec. 23rd.

Futures at New York March	14.50
" " " May	14.65
" " " July	14.69

MONEY MARKETS.

London, Dec. 21st.

Rentes 3%	56 3/4
Bar Silver Spot	40
" 2 months hence	40

Closing Tone of Silver :—Indian bazaars bought. Steady quiet Buye s satisfied.

Discount, Bank of England Rate 7% since 15th April 1920.

Discount Bank Bills 3 m/st	6 3/4
" Indian Bank Bills 6 m/st	6 3/4
" Fine Trade Bills 3 months	7 1/8
" " " " 6 "	7½
Bar Gold (per oz.)	115 9

Tone of Gold :—New York took available supplies part thirteen.

Interest day to day loans	4 3/4
" 7 day marke tloans	5 1/2
Telegraphic Transfers	1/5 1/2
Consols 2½%	44
Rupee Paper 3½%	34
Indian Stock—3½% Sterling Loans	52 3/4
Government Securities 3%	46
On London at Paris — Francs	59.39

SHARES.

Chartered Bank	£13 1/4
Hongkong Bank	£108
National Bank	£37

WAR LOANS.

London. Dec 21st.

Funding Loan 4% 1960/90	£65 1/2
Victory Boards 4%	£70 3/4
War Loan 5% 1920/47	£81 9/16

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

London, Dec. 21st

WHEAT.

Australian Afloat Quoted	108
Argentine Quoted	99

SEEDS.

Rapeseed, Ferozepore Real Bold Dec.-Jan. Sellers	£21 1/2
Rapeseed, Brown, Cawnpore 416 lbs. ex-Ship Dec.-Jan. Sellers	£19 1/2

Tone of Rapeseed :—Dull.

Linseed, Bombay per 416 lbs. ex-Ship Dec.-Jan.	£24 1/4

Tone of Linseed :—Neglected.

Linseed, Argentine (La Plata) Dec.-Jan. Nominal	£19 3/4
Linseed Argentine (La Plata) Jan.-Feb. Nominal. Dull neglected	£20
Cottonseed, Bombay (sound delivered) per ton) Dec.-Jan. Nearest	£10
Toria Rapeseed :—Dec.-Jan Nominal	£22

METALS.

English best Selected Copper	£82
Standard Copper G. M. B.	£73 5/8
Copper Brazers	£135
Yellow Metal	13
Hard Spelter	—
Corrugated Sheets	£33

JAVA SUGAR.

Fine White Java C. & F. Calcutta Dec.-Jan. Sellers	29
Fine White Java, C. & F. Bombay Dec.-Jan. Sellers	30/6
Fine White Java, C. & F. Karachi Dec.-Jan. Sellers	30/9

Tone :—Very Dull.

RUBBER.

Para Rubber Fine Hard Cure Jan.-Feb.	1/1 1/2
Plantation First Laters Crepe Dec. Paid Buyers	10 1/4

Tone :—Closing rather steadier at decline.

BEEF & MUTTON TALLOW.

London, Dec. 21st.

Finest Australian Beef Tallow .. }
" " Mutton .. } Dull neglected.
General Tone of Tallow Auction }

Next auctions with take place on 5th Jan. 1921.

PIECE-GOODS.

A quiet tone has prevailed in the cloth market during the past week. Rupees rates have shewn very little alteration but the tendency seems to be easier. The total absence of wholesale demand has been the source of anxiety. Here and there some isolated lots in retail quantity have changed hands at cut rates. Merchants have been forced to sell at the best prices obtainable in order to keep down stocks, but buyers have been scarce, and are keeping aloof from the market awaiting further developments. Clearances have been very poor. The absence of the Hindu marriage season during this year as well as the shortage of rain in up-country districts, the curtailment of credit and the financial stringency have combined in checking the demand for cloth.

At the general meeting of the members of the Bombay Native Piece-goods merchants' Association held in the Seth Mulji Jetha Cloth Market. Hall on the 22nd instant a resolution to the following effect was passed:—

"That in view of the assurances given from time to time, regarding the rates of exchange, by the Officers of Government and the Bill for exchange at two shillings having been passed by the Council, as well as the rate for sovereigns having been fixed at Rs. 10 from a certain date, the import merchants have come into big difficulties on account of the heavy fall in the rate of exchange in spite of the assurances from Government, this meeting therefore resolves that until the rate of exchange reaches two shillings, the payment for goods imported from England should be postponed, but that payments may be made to such Offices and Banks that offer the rate of exchange at two shillings. It is further resolved that in the case of Japanese goods bought at the rate of exchange, payments should be postponed until the rate reaches Rs. 150 for 100 yens, but that payments may be made to such offices and Banks that offer the rate of exchange at Rs. 150. In this metter if any merchant be pressed for payment by any office or Bank, reference to this resolution should be given to the party concerned."

It is now left to be seen what action the Importing Firms and the Banks take in this connection. Whatever reasons the merchants may have for passing this resolution with regard to English goods, it is evident that in the case of Japanese goods there has been no cause for any misunderstand with regard to the question of exchange, and they are hardly justified in including the Japanese goods in the resolution. At the present rate of exchange at about 1/5, the sterling pound equals about Rs. 14-2, whereas at 2 shilling exchange the pound will be Rs. 10, so the difference if borne by the Importing firms or Banks will be Rs. 4-2 on every amount of Rs. 14-2 i.e. a loss of about 30 per cent. The loss on the goods to the dealers is said to be 50 per cent. at present, and even if 2 shillings exchange is given they would still have to lose over twenty per cent. The loss is so heavy that many dealers are not in a position to stand it. The crisis has come and hard times will have to be faced with patience and forbearance. Nothing good can turn out by undue pressure on the merchants at the present moment. The question, however, arises whether the Importing Firms and Banks are to wait for an indefinite period in case the rate of exchange does not touch two shillings. And what if it goes below 1/5, which means an increase in the loss? Several Firms, in accordance with the terms of their contract. fix the rate of exchange a week after the arrival of the goods in Bombay and they atonce inform the merchants of the rate at which the exchange for their invoice has been fixed. In view of the resolution if these firms do so, the merchants will not accept the rate and the position of the Importing Firms will be rather precarious. The Government will also have to suffer on account of the depression, as merchants this year will not be liable to pay Income Tax in view of the heavy losses incurred.

The Manchester Market has been easier and the demand has been very poor. There is famine in China and the hopes that the Russian market will shortly be opened to British trade appear to be doomed to disappointment. The Indian markets have no inclination to buy goods. The "Daily Express" understands that Government yielding to the pressure from the business community is abandoning the Excess Profits Duty next April. If this turns out to be true, makers will reduce their prices still further. The suspension of payment by the Farrows Bank and the Japanese Bank of Agricultur and Industry have caused further apprehension in business circles.

The quotations for the leading chops of Greys and Whites are as under :—

	Ins. × Yds.	Rs	a	p
GREY SHIRTINGS—				
Ralli's Earl No. 9	39 × 37½/8	18	0	
" 10,000	45 ×	19	8	0
" No 33,000	45 × "	17	0	0
" 2103	37 × "	14	8	[illegible]
Graham's No. 2730	39 ×	15	8	[illegible]
" "Yellow Horse"	43 × 39	—		
" No. 2310	44 × 38½			
Dewhurst's "BBB"	38 ×	22	0	0
" "BB"		22	12	0
" "Rupee No 5	39 ×	21	8	0
Bates' No. 19838	41 × 37½/8	32	0	0
Bombay Co.'s No. 2580	44 × 38½	—		
" No. 1500	39 × 37½/8	16	0	0
" No. 5000	33 × 37½/8	14	0	0
Ritchie's No. 510	39 × 37½/8	16	0	0
" " 4462	41 ×	18	8	0
" " 1566	33 × 37/37½	10	0	0
Forbes' 551	38 × 37½/8	—		
Lyon's "Shunker"	38 ×	—		
Fleming's No. 1906	48 × 38	22	0	0
GREY DRILLS—				
Pepperell's "Dragon"	29 × 40	32	0	0
Ralli's Musjid No. 435	28 × 40	18	4	0
Mitsui's "Elephant"	29 × 40	28	0	0
GREY JACONETS—				
Ralli's No. 18	45 × 22	10	12	0
" " 18	40 × 22	8	12	0
" " 138	40 × 22	7	12	0
" " 636	44 × 22	9	12	0
WHITE SHIRTINGS—				
Liepman's No. 1500	32 × 42	31	12	0
R.B.T.C. 40000	35 × 40	34	0	0
R.B T.C 38000		33	0	0
Ralli's No. 9889	33 × 40	—		
Forbes K.B. 100	35 × 40	—		
" 151	33 × 40	23	0	0
Fleming's No. 7182	30 × 20	16	0	0
WHITE MULLS—				
Ralli's No. 6	41 × 18	10	4	0
" No. 60	46 × 18	11	4	0
" No. 600	51 × 18	12	4	0
" No. 6003	56 × 18	13	12	0
" No. 66	58 × 20	11	0	0
" No. 1270	27 × 18	8	8	0
" No. 818	38 × 20	16	14	0
" No 250 (6 lines)	54 × 20	16	8	0
" No. 350 (6 lines)	60 × 20	17	8	0
" No. 385 (6 lines)		17	0	0
" No. 425 (8 lines)		17	0	0
" No. 1440	36 × 20	4	8	0
" No. 5352	40 × 20	14	8	0
" No. 2755		15	8	0
" No. 1703	53 × 20	20	0	0
Ritchie's No. 1200	27 × 18	4	12	0
" No 119	37 × 18	8	12	0
" No. 290	42 × 18	7	4	0
" No. 889	47 × 18	7	12	0
" M/4M 39," 44," 49,"	54 × 18	8	0	0
" No. 95	58 × 20	11	0	0
" No 66999	40 × 18	8	0	0
" No. 86/98		8	8	0
" No 775	40 × 18	7	8	0
" No. 875	45 × 18	8	8	0
" No 973	50 × 18	8	8	0
" No. 615		8	12	
Graham's "Baloon"	58 × 28	11	0	0
" No 142	34 × 18	11	0	0
" No 420	36 × 18	11	0	0
Greaves' No. 5060	27 × 18	4	12	0
Fleming's No. 8080	27 × 18	4	12	0
WHITE NAINSOOKS—				
Ralli's No 7070/9090	27 × 18	8	12	0
" Nos. 61/81		—		
" No 1900		6	0	0
" No 89820 T.B	38 × 22	9	2	0
Graham's Nos. 88/8888	28 × 12	7	4	0
" 95050/97970				
" Saraswati	27 × 18	13	0	0
" "Tipoo" W/WWW	34 × 18	8	0	0
" No. 50000		8	0	0
" Nos 33340 33350/33360		10	0	0
Lyon's Nos. 4545/5000/6767	28 × 12	—		
Greaves' Nos. 30000/50000		6	0	0
" No 8000 T.B.	38 × 22	9	4	0
Ritchie's Nos 3500/4510/5520	28 × 18	6	12	0
S. W & Co.'s Nos. 5800/5820 "Motor Car"		5	10	0
Bombay Co's ZZ/ZZZZ		—		

The above quotations are on bazaar terms, with discount of 3½ per cent. on Grey Goods and 4 per cent. on White Goods.

HOME MARKETS.

(From our Correspondent.)

BOMBAY, Dec. 24.

Advices from Home still continue of a depressing character owing to gloomy trade outlook and financial stringency. There will be no permanent improvement in the market unless trade and finance improve.

The following table will give an idea of the changes in the Home Markets during the week under review :—

		15th Dec. 1920.	22nd Dec. 1920
Liverpool Spot	1920	11·91	11·26—65
New York Spot	1920	15·80	15·00—80
Liverpool Jan.	1921	10·90	9·47—93
Liverpool Mar.	1921	11·02	10·11—91
New York Mar.	1921	15·40	14·03—137
New York May	1921	15·51	14·18—133

LOCAL MARKET.

Prices in the Local Market for forward business show a perpendicular decline of Rs. 19 per candy, whilst Fine Oomras and Fully Good Bengals for March show a drop of Rs. 22 and Rs. 23 respectively.

Our Ready Market is very dull with a poor enquiry from Mills and Exporters owing to continued decline from the Home Markets; our Market is therefore kept closed for 10 days and will re-open on 3rd January 1921 for both ready and forward.

We expect further decline in Home and Local Markets.

PRICES OF READY COTTON.

ABNORMAL DECLINE.

An informal meeting of the members of the Association was held on Tuesday the 21st instant to consider the present abnormal decline in the prices of ready cotton. After considerable discussion, they requested the managing committee to consider and take such immediate steps as would prevent a further decline. The Committee thereafter held their meeting and resolved as an immediate step that the ready market (parakh only, not weighments) be declared to be closed for 10 days consecutively from Friday the 24th instant to 2nd January 1921, weighments to remain closed only on days previously notified as close days. The Committee meeting was then adjourned to meet on Thursday the 23rd instant at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) to consider what other steps could be taken to prevent further decline in the prices.

MILL-STORES AND CHEMICALS.

December 24th.

The demand has been very poor in the week chiefly due to Christmas holidays. The prices have undergone, therefore, no changes; after the completion of the holidays, a healthy revival of demand is expected.

Among Chemicals, Bleaching, Sago, Farina, Litharge and Caustic-Soda have appreciably advanced. The prices have gone up by Rs. 5/ per cwt. in almost all of these Chemicals. Others are steady. Demand is likely to improve immediately after the beginning of the New-year. The quotation are as follows :—

	Rs
Litharge	35
Sodium	50
Farina	20
Sago	14
Dextrine	35
Zinc Chloride	42
Mag. Chl.	15
Bichromate of Soda	130
Bichromate of Potash	145
Antimony Salt	2/10/-lb.
Aniline Salt	1/10/-lb.
Glauber Salt	6
Epsom Salt	12

COLOUR-MARKET.

Dec. 24.

The market remains unchanged and the steady tone is maintained. The prices offered by different merchants vary in accordance to their stock and the inclination to unload. The unfavourable exchange rate has made the indenting business mostly slack and the stockists are waiting to realise good values as soon as the actual purchasers are in the market. Congo-Red, Magenta Crystals and Alizarine are in good demand among the merchants. Alizarine stock is not big and the steady demand has advanced the prices. Alizarine I. P. is quoted between 1000/ to 1100/ per drum; while German stuff is quoted at 350/ and 375/ per cwt. Looking to its values a month before it has advanced a great deal.

The quotations are :—

Congo-Red Rs. 4 to 6 per lb.
Magenta Crystals Rs. 17 per lb.
Alizarine I. P. 1000 to 1100 per drum.
Alizarine Ger. Rs. 350 to 375 per cwt.
Direct Green Rs. 6/8/0 per lb.
Direct Brown Rs. 6/4/0 per lb.
Methyl Violet Rs. 11 per lb.
Malachite Green Rs. 12 per lb.
Sulpher Black Rs. 2/8/0 per lb.
Sulpher Brown Rs. 1/12/0 per lb.

LONDON, Dec 23

Bar Silver Spot 40 5/8. Tone quiet.
Bar Gold 115/8. Tone quiet.
Telegraphic Transfers 1/5-3/8, firm.

WESTERN INDIA ROPE CO. LTD.

The first ordinary general meeting of the Western India Rope Company, Ltd., was held yesterday at the Company's registered office at Hammam Street, under the presidency of Mr. H. A. H. Payne.

The Directors reported for the information of the shareholders that during the period ended 30th September 1920 order for the necessary machinery for manufacturing Rope, Cordage, Twine, etc., had been placed and a portion of the said machinery had already been shipped and was expected to arrive here by the end of this month.

The Company has secured the services of Mr. Thomas Gilroy as Work Manager, who is an expert in manufacturing ropes, etc.

A plot of Land suitable as a site for the Company's works had been secured adjoining the Andheri station (B. B. & C. I. Railway).

The report was adopted and the retiring director Mr. Damodher G. Madhowji, was re-elected.

VESSELS IN THE BOMBAY DOCKS

Friday, 24th Dec. 1920.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

A	Legie	Singapore	24/12	C C E Com.
O & R	Ischia.	Genoa	1/1	M Italiana
F	Nour El-Bahar	N F	N F	P Padamsee & Co
K	Karachi	N F	N F	R F Collin & Co
L	Egypt	N F	N F	M M & Co
M	Loyalty	N F	N F	N Morarji & Co
N	Pengeliy	Philadelphia	31/12	Graham & Co
O	Lady Blake	Colombo	25/12	M M & Co
P	Ranee	Rangoon	N F	T M & Co
Q	Warina	N F	N F	M M & Co
Q	Bajeme	N F	N F	P Foundry & Co

HARBOUR WALL.

Irrawadi	N F	N F	K N & Co
Juba	Bhownagar	25/12	K N & Co
Mahanadi	Karachi	N F	K N & Co
Oporto	N F	N F	K N & Co
Ponani	N F	N F	K N & Co
Satranji	Mangalore	24/12	K N & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1	Siam Maru	Kobe	30/12	O S Kaisha
2	Clan Mackinnon	N F	N F	J Finlay & Co
3	Chakdara	Basra	29/12	M M & Co
5	Khoshron.	Jedda	29/12	T M & Co
9	Haw ck Hall	Calcutta	1/1	Graham & Co
10	Clan Stuart	N F	N F	J F & Co
12	Ratenfels.	Karachi	5/1	J F & Co
15	Eastern Importer	N York	26/12	S W & Co

ALEXANDRA DOCK.

1	City of Karachi	Karachi	2/1	K N & Co
2	Baroda	Basra	24/12	M M & Co
3	Barpeta	Basra	24/12	M M & Co
4	Mandala	Karachi	31/12	M M & Co
5	Sociedejk	Karachi	31/12	E D Sassoon & Co
6	Kingmere.	Liverpool	31/12	Graham & Co
6/7	Brito Mart.	N F	N F	Oddiani & Co
7	China	London	1/1	M M & Co
9	Chenab	Calcutta	25/12	M M & Co
11	City of Lahore	Liverpool	1/1	K N & Co
12	P. F. Wilhelm	Liverpool	1/1	K N & Co
14	Mary Horlock	Middlesbrough	24/12	Graham & Co
1'	Main	Southampton	'/1	M M & Co
17	Sandakan.	Suez	29/12	K N & Co

HARBOUR WALL.

Abydos	N F	N F	I & P S N Co.
Firoozi	N F	N F	T M & Co

ALL-INDIA VAIDYA CONFERENCE.

The meeting of the above Union was held at the Hira Bag on Sunday the 19th instant under the presidency of Mr. Tribhovandas Bhukhandas Broachwala and it was decided to hold the All-India Vaida Conference. Various prominent parties of the Caste attended the meeting and subscribed about Rs. 1,600 for this purpose and have shown their approval.

The members of the Union are trying their best to fix the place and they are in this week going to various places viz. Ahmedabad, Broach, Baroda etc., during Xmas to make the Conference a success.

His Excellency the Viceroy has appointed Mr. H. N. Bolton, C. S. I., C. I. E., Revenue Commissioner, North-West Frontier Province, to be a member of the British Mission, which is proceeding to Kabul in place of Mr. Pears who is unable to go for medical reasons.

THE WEATHER.

(Associated Press.)

SIMLA, Dec. 24.

Western depression has given local snow in the Northeast Baluchistan, and rain on the Sind Coast, and is now affecting the Punjab. Chief amounts are:—Harnai, Quetta, Karachi, quarter inch.

Forecast:—Extension into the hills of extreme North.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Bombay, Dec. 24th.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Friday, the 24th December 1920, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are lightly clouded in the southeast of the division but moderately to heavily clouded elsewhere. The are remains drier than usual Day temperature is nearly normal; night tep rature is above the average at Rawalpindi and Multan.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear or only lightly clouded. The air is drier than usual. Day temperature is above the average at Jhansi; night temperature is below normal at Allahabad.

Sind and Rajputana.—Karachi report 0·23 of rain. Skies are lightly clouded in north Rajputana but are clear elsewhere. The air is generally drier than usual except at Mount Abu where humidity is in excess. Day temperature is above the average in Rajputana but is much below the normal in Sind; night temperature is below the avarage in lower Sind and north Rajputana. The maximum temperature at Jacobabad is 14° below the average.

Gujarat Kathiawar and Central India West—Skies are lightly clouded on the West Kathiawar coast but are clear elsewhere. Humidity is in considerable defect in Central India West but the air has become damper than usual in Gujarat and Kathiawar. Day temperature is above the average in Central India West and in north Gujarat and east Kathiwar; night temperature is above normal in Central India West and at Rajkot but is below it in Cuch.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded in the south and the west of the division. Humidity is in defect. Day temperature is above the average, night temperature is above normal at Saugor and Akola but below it at Nagpur.

The Konkan.—Skies are clear or only lightly clouded. The air is damper than usual Both day and night temperatures are nearly normal.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are lightly clouded in the northwest of the division but are clear elsewhere. Humidity is in defect at Aurangabad and Ahmednagar and in excess at Poona and Belgaum. Day temperature is above the average in the north Bombay December; night temperature is nearly normal.

General Remarks.—The western disturbance has given 0·21" of precipitation at Quetta and 0·23" at Karachi. It lies over the north and the west Punjab where skies have become heavily clouded. Day temperature is unusally low in Baluchistan and upper Sind, but remains higher than usual in the centeral parts of the reporting area.

Forecast.—A few falls of rain are likely in Baluchistan and in upper Sind and the north and west Punjab.

India Telegraphic Summary for the 23rd December 1920.

The western disturbance has given local rain and snow in Baluchistan, Chaman reporting half an inch. Victoria Point had five inches.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN ON FRIDAY, THE 24th DEC. 1920.

STATIONS.	Temp. in Shade.		Humidity.	Rainfall.		
	Maximum of past 24 hours.	Minimum of past 24 hours.	8 hrs.	Past 24 hours.	Total, 1st June to date.	Departure, 1st June to date.
PERSIAN GULF—						
Bushire	61.7	48.0	77	—	2.31	—1.46
Do (23rd)	61.8	41.5	87	—	2.32	—1.34
Jask	68.3	45.8	89	—	0.01	—1.21
Do. ( )						
Muskat	[illegible]	59.7	71	—	0	—0.66
Do. ( )	—	—	—	—	..	
PUNJAB—						
Multan	71.6	51.1	46	—	0	—0.2[illegible]
Rawalpindi	66.5	[illegible]	61	—	0	—0.92
Lahore	7[illegible].2	41.9	89	—	0	—[illegible]
Hissar	82.4	44.8	49	—	0	—[illegible]
Ambala	7[illegible].0	50.[illegible]	4[illegible]	—	0	—0.5[illegible]
Delhi	78.2	49.1	49	—	0	—0.43
UNITED PROVINCES						
Agra	80.8	4[illegible].8	39	—	0	—[illegible]
Manipuri	79.7	44.6	38	—	0	—0.41
Jhansi	81.6	[illegible].1	39	—	0	—0.30
Cawnpore	78.[illegible]	45.[illegible]	47	—	0	—0.[illegible]
Allahabad	79.0	41.4	35	—	0	—0.60
SIND AND RAJPUTANA						
Jacobabad	71.9	5[illegible].1	35	—	0	—0.[illegible]
Karachi	7[illegible].1	[illegible]	39	0.23	0	—[illegible]
Ajmer	7[illegible].2	[illegible]	64	—	0	—[illegible]
Jaipur	81.5	51.0	35	—	0	—[illegible]
Kotah	82.4	50.[illegible]	44	—	0	—[illegible]
Mount Abu	74.6	48.1	28	—	0	—[illegible]
GUJRAT KATHIAWAR AND CENTRAL INDIA WEST—						
Bhuj	88.4	44.8	52	—	0	—[illegible]
Dwarka	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	—0.66
Veraval	88.0	56.2	41	—	0	—0.[illegible]
Rajkot	87.8	51.7	35	—	0	—0.[illegible]
Bhavnagar Para	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	—[illegible]
Surat	71.6	57.[illegible]	60	—	0	—0.[illegible]
Ahmedabad	90.[illegible]	[illegible]	25	—	[illegible]	—0.[illegible]
Deesa	[illegible].8	52.8	27	—	0	—0.13
Neemuch	83.7	45.0	26	—	[illegible]	—0.[illegible]
Indore	86.3	47.3	29	—	0	—0.[illegible]
CENTRAL PROVINCES						
Jubbulpore	[illegible].8	40.5	54	—	0	—0.78
Saugor	[illegible].0	5[illegible].0	26	—	0	—0.[illegible]
Hosangabad	86.7	47.[illegible]	52	—	0	—[illegible]
Khandwa	[illegible].0	46.8	39	—	0	—0.[illegible]
Akola	94.5	[illegible]7.5	31	—	0	—[illegible]
Amraoti	[illegible].5	61.[illegible]	17	—	0	—[illegible]
Nagpur	[illegible]	61.0	[illegible]	—	0	—[illegible].15
Chanda	[illegible].1	44.[illegible]	44	—	0	—0.[illegible]
Raipur	[illegible].9	5[illegible].9	46	—	0	—0.[illegible]
KONKAN—						
Bombay	[illegible].3	60.5	78	—	0	—[illegible]
Ratnagiri	94.1	[illegible]	46	—	0	—[illegible]
Marmugoa	[illegible].5	67.9	60	—	0.10	—[illegible]
Karwar	86.7	62.9	94	—	0	—1.[illegible]8
BOMBAY DECCAN AND HYDERABAD—						
Malegaon	90.8	45.[illegible]	31	—	0	[illegible]
Ahmednagar	[illegible].7	47.8	32	—	0	1.[illegible]
Poona	88.0	47.1	50	—	0	1.0[illegible]
Sholapur	[illegible].6	64.8	19	—	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bijapur	[illegible]	[illegible].1	51	—	0	—1.[illegible]
Belgaum	86	[illegible]	30	—	[illegible]	—1.[illegible]
Aurangabad	[illegible]	41.[illegible]	12	—	[illegible]	—0.[illegible]
Nizamabad(Indur)	[illegible]	14.[illegible]	35	—	[illegible]	—0.[illegible]
Hyderabad	[illegible].4	[illegible].4	40	—	[illegible]	—0.[illegible]
MALABAR AND CEYLON						
Mangalaore						
Calicut	87.7	[illegible].7	68	—	[illegible]	+1.78
Cochin	[illegible]	7[illegible].1	86	—	[illegible]	+[illegible]
Colombo	[illegible]	71.[illegible]	77	—	[illegible]	+0.25
	[illegible].1	7[illegible].1	90	—	19.4	+2.42
MADRAS EXCLUDING MALABAR) AND MYSORE—						
Masulipatam	[illegible]	[illegible]	84	—	[illegible]	—[illegible]
Bellary	[illegible]	[illegible]	46	—	[illegible]	—[illegible]
Cuddapah	[illegible]	[illegible]	70	—	[illegible]	—1.[illegible]
Madras	84.4	[illegible]	75	—	[illegible]	+12.[illegible]
Bangalore	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	—[illegible]
Coimbatore	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]
Trichanopoly	84.6	[illegible]	75	—	19.[illegible]	+12.[illegible]
Negapatam	[illegible].6	70.1	80	—	87.[illegible]	+32.0

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BOMBAY RACING SEASON.

3RD EXTRA MEETING.

ALELI WINS THE XMAS PLATE.

A holiday crowd assembled at Mahaluxmi yesterday to witness the third extra meeting of the racing season. Though the attendance was very large, one missed many familiar faces. Many sportsmen are still in Calcutta and a good number have already gone to Madras where a promising season will soon begin. The weather was delightful and the sport very enjoyable, though punters had not the best of the exchanges. A pleasing feature of yesterday's meeting was the good starts in all the races. Except in the Ripon Plate which was somewhat of an Indian file order, all the horses got away well in all the other races in spite of the large fields that started in most events.

An interesting card of eight events in which there were four races for Arabs and four English horses provided plenty of speculation for people who were anxious to swell their end of the year account. As most of these were on hot favourites, which went down one after the other many of course were not very enthusiastic about the day's result as far as the monetary question was concerned, but from that a spodting point of view they cannot complaint that they had not a run for their money.

The three divisions of the Bhuleshwar Plate for Arabs in the 3rd Division were the first three events on the programme. In each even the field was not as large as usual a fact which gave punters more confidence to back their fancies. In the first division Dilawar started at odds on but Zainulmuluk upset the issue by winning comfortably from Kingcraft. Dilawar just managed to secure third place. The same fate awaited punters in the 2nd Division of this race in which Compliment ridden by Brown was heavily backed though Compliment ran very prominently till the home turn he succumbed under the weight. Tired Tim a poorer stayer smoothly ridden by Barnett beat Napoleon while Compliment figured on the board as fourth in the race. In the 3rd Division, the public received some consolation when Magdala who also started a favourite run after a tight finish with Isonomy who was also well backed. Easton as usual rode a beautiful race.

The Ellesmere Handicap for horses that landed on or after January 1920 was a Handicap event of 6 furlongs. Mexican Eagle and Whit Week declined leaving a field of seven to contest the issue. His a pity that Whit Week was scratched owing to trouble in the leg as this reduced the field to seven starters. Pine Park, who undoubtedly ran in inferior company with a very suitable weight, completely outclassed his field by winning in a canter. The public could not let such an opportunity slip by and he was consequently backed for a King's ransom. One is sure to find him in his proper class next time he is out again otherwise it would be ridiculous to let him out in such company. Miss Good Enough tried hard to come to terms with him but it was a hopeless task from the start.

In the Ripon Plate for horses in the 3rd Division fourteen candidates started. The distance was 1½ miles and on his previous performances Lemon was installed a hot favourite. Laodicea also found considerable support though she might as well have stayed in her stable to judge by her poor display in the race. A good deal of money went on Beggar Prince who beat his field as he liked. An objection for crossing by the rider of Partial Eclipse was lodged against the winner though it was apparent to every one who watched the race carefully that it was most frivolous. The objection was rightly overruled though the long time they took to decide this sample affair gave an uncomfortably *quart d' heaure* to the numerous backers of their horse.

The most important event of the day was the X'mas Plate of Rs. 10,000 to the winner. It was a high weight handicap for horses in the 1st and 2nd Divisions—distance six furlongs. In spite of his weight Poignant was well fancied and from the manner he ran be no doubt proved himself a great horse. But nothing could resist Aleli, another son of Mikone, who has come down in weight considerably, and being in fine settle simply walked home. Some people were simple enough to expect much of that good more Margaret Joyce in this class with 8 stones on her back. It was apparent to anyone with a little racing experience that it was an impossible task for that animal. She has certainly done well in her own class but fancy seeing her soon after her transference in a second class company with 8 stones against such performers as Balck Walnut, We Two, Belle Syme and the rest.

Christmas Holiday won the Magdala Plate comfortably from Cyanite who seems to be getting in condition rapidly. Tagamor has managed to secure a place. It is to be hoped that this performance will not be taken very much into account.

Krushan failed hopelessly in the Vihar Plate. Balloon walked the pace in a cyclonic manner and no heavy weight be it Krushan or any performer could live in such a race. For those who imagine that a horse must always be the same year after year his downfall yesterday may make them wiser if sadder people. Paladin at last won a race after three years perseverance.

It is reported in a Calcutta paper that F. Northmore has svered his connection with Mr. Langley and will no longer ride for him.

F. Wooton had a most popular win in his first hurdle race on a hot favourite recently, this famous rider has now taken to the jumps after his return from Mesopotamia.

Brioche the valuable mare who went to Calcutta has met with a nasty accident having hit the rails during exercise. It is feared she will not be able to race for some time.

J. R. Hynn, the popular jockey has proceeded to Australia for a spell after his severe accident in Poona where he broke a leg.

Swanker, the well-known horse owned by Mr. M. Goculdas' had to be killed recently, as a sequel to a severe accident on the track.

Details:—

THE BHULESHWAR PLATE. Division I.—Distance 1 mile.

Winner, Rs. 1,000; second, Rs. 300; third, Rs. 200. For Arabs in the 3rd Division. W. A. Winners since 31st March, 1919, once 4 lbs.; twice 7 lbs.; oftener 12 lbs. Allowance—Ponies 14 hands and under, 4 lbs.

Mr Ali bin Talib's ZAINULMULUK, 9-3, Harrison ... 1
Mr S A Wahed's KINGCRAFT, 8-10 (cd 8-11), Longhurst ... 2
Mr Heath's DILAWAR, 9-0, McPherson ... 3
Mr M H Sanjana's DONCASTER, 9-5, Barden ... 4

Also ran:—Hunstman 9-10, Ajmer 9-7, Mystic 9-3, Brindisi 9-1, Buttonwood 9-1, Foreigner 9-1, Lamington 9-0, Yadghar 9-0, Black Guinea 8-10, Sharaban 8-6, Cartridge 7-11.

The race:—From a fair start Ajmer, Mystic and Yadghar were prominent, after covering two furlongs Yadghar took command and led the field right into the straight, Dilawar was lying fourth and Zainulmuluk was last, in the run home Yadghar fell back and made way for Kingcraft, Dilawar and Doncaster, Zainulmuluk however made a vigorous challenge near the stands winning comfortably by ¾ length, ¾ length, 1 length.

Favourites:—Hunstman and Dilawar.
Time:—1 min. 54 2/5 secs.
First Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 287; Places Rs. 50-8, 48 and 18.
Second Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 99; Places Rs. 21-8, 35 and 9-8.
Trainer:—Owner.

THE BHULESHWAR PLATE. Division II.—Distance 1 mile.

Winner, Rs. 1,000; second, Rs. 300; third, Rs. 200. For Arabs in the 3rd Division. W. A. Winners since 31st March, 1919, once 4 lbs.; twice 7 lbs.; oftener 12 lbs. Allowance—Ponies 14 hands and under, 4 lbs.

Mr H W Dixon's TIRED TIM, 9-1, Barnett 1
Mr A A Aujan's NAPOLEON, 8-10, Longhurst ... 2
Mr A S Fezi's HERO, 9-7, Townsend ... 3
Messrs Mubarak and Gazal's COMPLIMENT, 9-5, Brown ... 4

Also ran:—Dickson 10-1, Honey 9-7, Emperor 9-3, Sannayet 9-3, Maneck 9-3, Wilson 9-1, Latiff 8-11, My Royal 8-11, Gazee 8-10, Dholpore 8-10.

Did not run Red Flower.

The race:—Sannayet broke away when they were let off followed by Compliment, Dholpore and Napoleon, Dickson was lying last, they ran in the above order till the turn where Sannayet retired, Compliment then appeared prominent with Napoleon, Hero and Tired Tim on his girths, these three horses overpowered the leader and after a most exciting struggle Tired Tim secured the verdict from Napoleon and Hero, by a head, head, head.

Favourite:—Compliment.
Time:—1 min. 53 4/5 secs.
First Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 130-8; Places Rs. 41, 45 and 60-8.
Second Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 90; Places Rs. 22-8, 27 and 26-8.
Trainer:—A M Shamlan.

THE BHULESHWAR PLATE. Division III.—Distance 1 mile.

Winner, Rs. 1,000; second, Rs. 300; third, Rs. 200. For Arabs in the 3rd Division. W. A. Winners since 31st March, 1919, once 4 lbs.; twice 7 lbs.; oftener 12 lbs. Allowance—Ponies 14 hands and under, 4 lbs.

Mr M Goculdass' MAGDALA, 8-6, Easton ... 1
Mr S A Wahed's ISONOMY, 9-0, Longhurst 2
Mr Lantin's BEADMAKER, 9-3, Brown ... 3
Mr Heath's SIR VISTO, 9-3, Donnelly ... 4

Also ran:—Sher Khan 9-7, Joker 9-7, Bhadorjung 9-5, Injeman 9-3, Soonna 9-1, Tookaram 8-13, Haydn 8-10, King Palace 8-10, Wafadhar 8-6.

Did not run:—Shah, Baby Grand.

The race:—Sir Visto was first in his strides and led a straggling field, Magdala was his nearest attendant, Isonomy, and Beadmaker followed behind, at the 3rd furlong the position was slightly altered when Bhadorjung ran in front of Magdala, with Sir Visto still heading the field, Bhadorjung retired at the turn, Magdala, Isonomy and Beadmaker collared Sir Visto in front of the stands, a smart finish resulted Magdala triumphed by ½ length, ¾ length, ½ length.

Favourites:—Isonomy and Magdala.
Time:—1 min. 53 2/5 secs.
First Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 36-8; Places Rs. 16, 16 and 27-8.
Second Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 22-8; Places Rs. 9, 9 and 13-8.
Trainer:—A Hoyt.

THE ELLESMERE HANDICAP.—Distance 6 furlongs, 41 yards.

Winner, Rs. 2,000; second, Rs. 700; third Rs. 300. A Handicap for Horses that landed on or after January 1st, 1920.

Mr Pine's PINE PARK, 8-9, Bowley ... 1
Mr Kelso's MISS GOODENOUGH, 8-1, McPherson ... 2
Mr Diamond's MURMANSK, 9-6, Longhurst ... 3
Mr R R S's LE VERGUIER, 7-6, Lambert 4

Also ran:—Cahir Lass 9-6, Mexican Eagle 8-1, Overseas 7-6, Easter Holiday 7-0.

Did not run:—Whit Week.

The race:—Overseas, Murmansk and Pine Park jumped off together when the barrier rose, and were together for the first 3 furlongs, Pine Park then secured the lead with Murmansk close on his heels, Murmansk soon went to the front and entered the straight ahead of Pine Park, but this was not held for long, for when Pine Park was urged he sailed away to win comfortably from Miss Goodenough who displaced Murmansk for second place in front of the stands, Le Verguier made a late run placing fourth. Won by 1½ lengths, ¾ length, ½ length.

Favourite:—Pine Park.
Time:—1 min. 17 2/5 secs.
First Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 19; Places Rs. 14, 21-8 and ——
Second Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 10-8; Places Rs. 7-8, 10 and ——
Trainer:—T Harrison.

THE RIPON PLATE.—Distance 1½ miles.

Winner, Rs. 2,000; second, Rs. 700; third, Rs. 300. A High Weight Handicap for Horses in the 3rd Division.

Mr M H Sanjana's BEGGAR PRINCE, 7-13, Barden ... 1
Mr J Rustomjee's PARTIAL ECLIPSE, 6-12, Lynch ... 2
Mr M Goculdass' LEMON, 8-13, Harrison ... 3
Mr M C Patel's MY PATSEY, 7-5, Lambert 4

Also ran:—Decorum 9-4, Look Ahead 7-2, Jacky Firth 8-9, Laodicea 8-7, Gunda 7-11, Marcodia 7-9, White Simon 7-4, Gantry 7-3, Arles 7-2, Saunterer 7-0.

The race:—When the field set out Jacky Firth was left behind, Lemon was also backward, Partial Eclipse soon went in front with a long lead, at a respectable distance where Beggar Prince, Arles and My Patsey, they ran in this order till the 2nd furlong where Beggar Prince closed on Partial Eclipse, they raced abreast into the straight when Beggar Prince secured the rails and won easily by 1¾ lengths, Lemon came with a late rush placeing third, a short head behind, ¾ length.

An objection against the winner for crossing was overruled.

Favourite:—Lemon.
Time:—2 mins. 9 secs.
First Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 57-8; Places Rs. 20-8, 86 and 15.
Second Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 54-8; Places Rs. 14-8, 35 and 9.
Trainer:—J Malone.

THE X'MAS PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs, 41 yards.

Winner, Rs. 10,000; second, Rs. 3,000; third, Rs. 2,000. A High Weight Handicap for Horses in the 1st and 2nd Divisions.

Messrs Skelton and Peechey's ALELI, 7-6, Harrison ... 1
Mr G E D Langley's POIGNANT, 10-2, Barnett ... 2
Mr Kelso's WE TWO, 8-6, McPherson ... 3
Messrs Moloobhoy and Pine's CRESSET, 9-3, Bowley ... 4

Also ran:—Camberley 9-9, Black Walnut 8-8, Waynflete 8-7, Margaret Joyce 8-0, Viola 7-12, Belle Syme 7-4, Mist 6-12.

Did not run:—Liberty.

The race:—Belle Syme shot out closely pursued by Aleli with Camberley last, Aleli assumed command at the 3rd furlong, and went away with Poignant in pursuit, We Two lying fourth, the order was unchanged in the straight and although Poignant and We Two made their efforts Aleli won in a canter by 3 lengths, 2½ lengths, 1 length.

Favourites:—Aleli and We Two.
Time:—1 min. 15 2/5 secs.
First Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 38; Places Rs. 17, 20 and 18.
Second Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 31-8; Places Rs. 13, 13-8 and 9-8.
Trainer:—T Harrison.

THE MAGDALA PLATE.—Distance 7 furlongs, 65 yards.

Winner, Rs. 4,000; second, Rs. 1,250; third, Rs. 750. A High Weight Handicap for Horses in the 2nd Division.

Mr Humble's CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY, 9-9, Townsend ... 1
Mr R R S's CYANITE, 8-4, Lambert ... 2
Mr M Goculdass' TAGAMOR, 8-3, Harrison 3
Mr Pine's PENNY PIE, 8-10, Bowley ... 4

Also ran:—Glass Rock 8-4, Gipsy's Advice 7-9, Anthracite 8-0, Plaxtol 7-12.

The race:—Plaxtol dwelt at the start and when the field had settled down Glass Rock was most prominent, with Penny Pie and Christmas Holiday close behind, at the 2nd furlong Christmas Holiday came away from his field, followed by Cyanite, down the straight a great tussle was witnessed and Christmas Holiday won on the post by a neck, 1 length, short head. Tagamor secured third place.

Favourite:—Christmas Holiday.
Time:—1 min. 31 1/5 secs.
First Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 22-8; Places Rs. 14-8, 37-8 and 38-8.
Second Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 38; Places Rs. 30, 19 and 18.
Trainer:—M Ryan.

THE VIHAR PLATE.—Distance 7 furlongs, 65 yards.

Winner, Rs. 4,000; second, Rs. 1,250; third, Rs. 750. A High Weight Handicap for Arabs in the 1st and 2nd Divisions.

Dr S V Kandalkar's PALADIN, 7-5, S J Meekings ... 1
Mr Malik's BALLOON, 6-12, Lynch ... 2
Mr S N Mahomed's KARIKATA, 8-8, Bowley ... 3
Mr Heath's SHAHZADA, 8-3, Donnelly ... 4

Also ran:—Krushan 9-12, Khundil 9-9, Hakum 8-8, Mentor 9-7, Chieftain 8-4, Winning Post 8-7, Nevermind 8-2, Anxious 7-0, Domineer 6-10.

The race:—They got away well together when Balloon as usual strided out in front of Winning Post and Shahzada, Chieftain was last, Krushan far away in the bunch, Balloon kept in front and looked a winner till near home when Paladin came with a tremendous rush to win on the post by a short head, Karikata placed third, 1 length away, 1 length.

Favourite:—Krushan.
Time:—1 min. 40 3/5 secs.
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Second Enclosure Totes paid:—Win Rs. 161-8; Places Rs. 23-8, 23-8 and 9-8.
Trainer:—Syed Mustapha.

ASSAULT ON SERVANT.

Before the Second Presidency Magistrate, Ditosa Fernandes, a servant, in the employ of Mrs. Mary D'Souza, residing in Kapadia Building, Grant Road, charged Mrs. Edgita Fernandes and her daughter Annie Fernandes, with assault and abetment. The first accused, who had a warrant of arrest against her, surrendered herself to the Court. On the case being called out, the complainant agreed to compound the case on both the accused giving an undertaking not to molest the complainant in future and paying the costs.

Correspondence Summarised

"BE SPORTSMEN."—Mr. K. J. Dastur protests against the article under this heading which appeared in "The Chronicle" on the 15th instant.

RIOGOD MANDAP.—A student asks why the burnt Mandap at the Riogod is not yet built? Is it that the Mandap is not worth rebuilding. When the Maharatta Maharajahs and the chiefs are not interested in rebuilding the Mandap, he suggests that the trustees of the Shivaji Samarak Fund should undertake the work.

MR. B. D. SHUKLA. Complains about the so-called smooth arrangements of the Postal authorities. He says that Acknowledgment Receipts for two registered letters were not received by him though they are over-due by a month.

EFFICIENCY DISGUSTED.—Asks the Postal bureaucracy to disillusion itself regarding its boasted efficiency during the present strike.

MR. A. R. SOBONI.—Chairman, Bai Association, Sholapur, draws attention of the Honourable the High Court of Bombay and His Excellency the Governor of Bombay that the conduct of Mr. R. R. Baindur, Sub-Judge as reported in the "Bombay Chronicle" of the 13th December, 1920 (Dak Edition).

"SHRECKANT."—Suggests that at the time of framing the constitution and creed of the All-India Students' Conference, the Constitution Committee should keep in view the ideal of the National Congress. The units of the Students Conference should be on linguistic basis as suggested by the Congress Constitution Draft Committee. The annual sessions of the Conference should be there where the Congress may be held.

"A DELEGATE."—Protests against the exorbitant charge of Rs. 5 per head which the Reception Committee of the Nagpur Congress has fixed on each delegate for his lodging.

"J. H. O." Writes, to say that robberies, dacoities, house-breaking, etc., have become the order of the day in Bombay. Daily the newspapers bear witness to this fact. By the time Police and is invoked considerable damage to life and property is caused. Will not the Government, asks the writer, revise its opinion about arming the Indians more liberally?

"A NATIONALIST."—Is surprised to find Dr. Velker clammering for the maintenance of the British connection. He asks the Dr. to state the motive for his changed view of *Swarajya* or to explain how be suddenly got enamoured of British connection.

SMOOTH ARRANGEMENTS.—Shaikhalli Sulemanji says that he received a business-letter from Lahore after nearly two months and asks. "Is this the smoothness with which the postal authorities are so much satisfied?"

HINDU-PARSI UNITY.—Wants friendly relations to exist between the Parsees and the Hindus and says that according to a famous Brahamachari named Vishnu Bawa there ought to be friendly relations between these two sister communities. The Brahamachari and centuries before, the Hindu rulers used to consider the Zoroastrian faith to be based on the principles of the Vedas. He says, it is on this ground that the Parsee rifugees were welcomed, offered shelter and allowed to settle in India.

NON-COOPERATION.—Mr. M. R. Naidu appeared for the Inter Exam. of the Madras University in Oct. last. He now after fully realising the value of N.C.O. Movement writes to the Registrar, Madras, University, asking to remove his name from the list of examiners and so relive the examiners of the trouble of examining his papers, because he does not value the examinations of the Government Universities.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.—Principle asks why contrary to the view of the Joint Committee of Parliament, the Executive Council of Behar and Orissa is to consist of two civilians and one Indian. Is it because the Governor happens to be an Indian and so will equalize in strength the two opposing interests of the Civilians and Indians?

MORRIS COLLEGE, NAGPUR.—The following students boycotters have withdrawn from the above named College. Messrs. P. L. Indani, K. A. Bhaiya, G. J. Chaube, M. K. Agrawala, and C. L. Zivari.

RAILWAY MISMANAGEMENT.—Mr. K. M. K. Ayer after citing a personal grievance about the mismanagement of railways in India, asks the Railway Commission, now in session, to investigate the questions of providing sufficient accommodations for third and inter class passengers and of bringing the railway fares to pre-war level.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S CALCUTTA PROGRAMME.

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CALCUTTA, Dec. 24.

The following is the revised programme for His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, during his visit to Calcutta. Friday 28th January twelve noon public arrival. 12-30 p.m. the Corporation address at the Dalhousie Square. Saturday 29th January 10-30 a.m. the unveiling of the King Edward Memorial (in State). 8-15 p.m. a dinner party. Sunday 30th morning attending the service Wn. Cathedral (motor). Monday 31st merning military function, afternoon Boy Scouts' Rally and presentation of the St. John Ambulance badges (if any). 9-30 p.m. State Ball. Tuesday 1st February 11 a.m. the opening of the New Legislative Council (in State) 4-30 p.m. garden party, 8-15 p.m. dinner party, Wednesday, 2nd February 11 a.m., the laying of foundation stone of the new dockyard, evening party. Thursday, 3rd evening private departure.

CHRISTMAS AMUSEMENTS.

THE BANVARD ATTRACTIONS.

The Banvard Musical Comedy Company which has for the last ten days been appearing at the Excelsior Theatre, is staying over the Christmas and New Year season, and while the Company takes a holiday to-day there will be the usual matinee on Sunday and performances each night next week. "Castles in Spain" is down for presentation on Monday and Tuesday; "Peaches and Cream" for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; and "Harem Belles" for Saturday next and the following Sunday matinee.

The cinema show at the Excelsior when the Banvard Company is not performing includes a piquant comedy-drama, "An Experimental Marriage." This experimental marriage was a Saturday-afternoon-till-Monday morning marriage. They were a very eccentric young couple—at least she was. She was the President of the Women's League, and therefore she held strong views on Women's Rights, and the condition on which she married her life's partner was that they would live together each week-end and would do what they liked the rest of the week. But when the wife found her husband solacing himself with another girl during the off season then she begins to wonder whether she has not made a mistake. All sorts of dodges she tries to make her "hubby" jealous, but they fail, and the only way out is the renunciation of the Women's League and Women's Rights and the transfer from the experimental stage of marriage to the pucca thing.

THE EMPIRE.

To give the cinema-goer the opportunity of making more than the usual weekly visit to the cinema, during Christmas week the management of the Empire are presenting a daily change of programme. The films to be presented have all been shown in India before, but they are all films worth seeing a second time, and while drama predominates there are some lighter films, notably on Boxing Day. The chief films of the week are given below. The timings will be found in our advertising columns:—

Dec. 24—"Queen of the Sea"; Dec. 25—"The Sorrows of Satan"; Dec. 26—"The Passing of the Third Floor Back"; Dec. 27—"The Triumph of Venus"; Dec. 28—"Thelma"; Dec. 29—"Mr. Wu"; Dec. 30—"Tarzan of the Apes"; Dec. 31—"The Romance of Tarzan."

Never before have so many first class films been presented in so short a period in Bombay and there will be an equally varied programme during the first week of the New Year.

THE EMPRESS.

At the Empress Theatre the same procedure is being followed at the Empire, this being possible now that the serial which has been running there has been completed. Here also the films are well known films which are recognised successes and are being revived for that reason. The week's repertoire here is as follows:—

Dec. 25—"Tarzan of the Apes"; Dec. 26—"The Romance of Tarzan"; Dec. 27—"Mickey"; Dec. 28—"Romeo and Juliet"; Dec. 29—"Intolerance" (first part); Dec. 30—"Intolerance" (second part); Dec. 31—A Burlesque on "Carmen."

GLOBE CINEMA.

It is the screen interpretation of the famous and ancient story of "The Arabian Nights." Very good acting by children, beautiful scenes and photographic effects make this production more exciting and more wholesome than many other Fairy films.

CINEMA PRECIOUS.

The story concerns an American author living in Paris with his extravagant wife, who becomes hopelessly in debt at the shop of an unscrupulous modiste. Expecting the woman to follow the Parisian method of getting a rich lover to pay her bills, the modiste introduces her to an American army officer. This turns out to be the most fortunate thing that could have happened to the young wife.

WEST-END CINEMA.

The series start with "Cleopatra" to-day, a Million-Dollar Master-Production of William Fox. To-morrow the special Sunday programme is "Les Miserables", another Fox wonder-picture, from the famous novel of Victor Hugo. Gold bangles, studded with real stones, in the 5 p.m. as well as the 6-45 p.m. shows. These prizes are exclusively for the Box and Sofa classes ticket-holders only.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE.

Lucy Ashton refuses to marry Lieut. Standing saying that she does not love him. Jerry Burke and Lucy are great friends, and he is working very hard for a commission. One afternoon she was riding a new horse, when something frightened the animal, which bolted, Lucy clinging to its neck. Burke happened to see her and dashed to her rescue. She found herself in his arms, when Standing came upon them. Keenly disappointed as he was, he forced himself to congratulate them heartily.

Manual Cespedes, a Mexican, is also in love with Lucy. He soon discovers the state of affairs between Burke and Lucy. He then arranges a private meeting with Jerry. His proposition is that Jerry shall assist Manuel in getting ammunition into Mexico. Jerry consults with Standing, and when the meeting is to take place, Standing hides in some shrubbery, to bear witness to what is said by the Mexican. Manuel with three other Mexicans arrive, and are talking with Jerry, when Standing sneezes. One of the Mexicans shoots Standing, while the others overpower Jerry. They carry Burke away, leaving Standing in the road. Jerry is locked up in a hut where on the ninth day he learns that the Mexicans intend to kill every jingo in the region. He is helpless, being closely guarded. Manuel and two Mexicans go to Lucy's home, and wound her father and try to kidnap Lucy. Meanwhile, Jerry has accidentally discovered an old rusty knife and cuts his feet free. He overpowers the guard, and jumping on his horse, dashes for the post, arriving in time to snatch the fuse from the magazine.

AN ELECTION PETITION.

We understand that Mr. R. S. Navalkar has sent a petition to his Excellency the Governor, questioning the validity of the election of the General Non-Mohamedan Constituency to represent Bombay City South on the local Legislative Council. He alleges seals on some of his ballot boxes were tampered with, while in the custody of the Returning Officer, facilitating transfer of votes from one box to another, without any chance of detection and the ballot boxes were not sealed with sealing wax as required under the regulations, but sealed with paper seals while the keys were tied to the boxes.

BOMBAY CITY AND SUBURBS.

Engagements.

TO-DAY.

Christmas: Postal and Bank Holiday.
English mail steamer Caledonia, expected to arrive 6 a.m.

SUNDAY, Dec. 26.

Indian National Congress, Nagpur: 1 p.m.

MONDAY, Dec. 27.

Public Lecture, Bahai Hall, 29, Forbes Street, at 5-30 p.m.
Indian National Congress, Nagpur.

TUESDAY, Dec. 28.

Indian National Congress, Nagpur.
Public Lecture, Bahai Hall at 5-30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 29

Public Lecture, Bahai Hall, at 5-30 p.m.

CENTRAL MARATHA ASSOCIATION.

The adjourned meeting of the Central Maratha Association will be held at 8-30 a.m. (S.T.) tomorrow, at Narayan Ashram No. 1 Lalbag, Parel.

JENABAI ORPHANAGE UNION.

The weekly meeting of the Jenabai Orphanage Young Bows' Union will be held on Sunday at 10-30 a.m. when Mr. Jafferali Hasan will deliver a lecture on "Charity" Mr. M. J. Ellias will preside.

VISANAGAR NAGAR CONFERENCE.

Mr. Dadabhai Pitamberdas Derasari, Ahmedabad, presides over the Visnagar Nagar Conference to be held at Benares on the 27th and 28th December 1920. A ladies' conference and a child show to which all children of the community up to the age of five years will be admitted, have also organised with it.

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE.

"Under the auspices of the Social Service League, Bombay an Urdu Lecture will be delivered by Mr. Mahomed Umar Shaikh on "Labour" at the Madanpura Settlement of the League on Sunday at 3 a.m. (S. T.) Mr. Kassimalli Aurangabadi has consented to preside. The Meeting is open to public."

MAZAGON INSTITUTE SPORTS.

The annual Christmas Sports and Treat will take place in the compound of the Gloria Church, Byculla, on Sunday at 3-30 p.m., (S.T.) Owing to unavoidable circumstances, the New Year Dance which was to take place in the Muzzafarabad Hall Grant Road, on the 1st proximo, has been postponed sine die.

INDIAN LIBERAL CLUB.

The class on Public Finance, held under the auspices of the Study Circle, of the Indian Liberal Club, will meet as usual on Sunday at 8-30 a.m. (S.T.) at the Servants of India Society, Sandhurst Road, Girgaon, Bombay. It will be conducted by Mr. C. S. Deole. All those who have registered their names are requested to attend.

BENE-ISRAEL CONFERENCE.

The 4th Bene-Israel Conference commences its sitting on the night of the 25th instant at 8-30 at the Byramji Hall and will continue for the following three days. Khan Bahadur Dr. Judah Hyam, G.B.V.C., F.Z.S., of Poona will preside.

B. P. WOMEN'S COUNCIL.

The annual meeting of the above council will be held on Jan. 6th at 5-30 at the Cowasje Jehangir Hall Science Institute. Business: to pass reports Balance sheet and to elect officers and committee for 1921. H.E. the Hon. Lady Lloyd, President of the council will preside.

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The first ordinary general meeting of the Diamond Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited, was held yesterday, Mr. Hosnasji R. Umrigar presiding.

The following is the report submitted by the directors:—

The Director's first report together with the Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the period ending 30th September 1920 showed a net profit of Rs. 3,63,935-8-8. The sum of Rs. 57,244-6-0 was decided to be written off for the brokerage on shares, and the sum of Rs. 5,895-13-9 of preliminary expenses, the total amounting to Rs. 63,140-3-9. After deducting this Directors proposed to dispose off as follows:—Dividend at the rate of 17 per cent per annum on the paid up amount of 17,000 preference shares free of income tax Rs. 26,261-8-0, Dividend at the rate of Rs. 3 (i.e. as 18 per cent per annum for four months working period) per share on 34,000 ordinary shares Rs. 102000, Provision for Income and Super tax Rs. 30,000 Depreciation Fund on buildings Rs. 25,000 on machinery Rs. 75,000 total Rs. 1,00,000. Reserve Fund Rs. 30,000, Bonus to Staff Rs. 5000. To carry forward Rs. 7,533-6-11. Total Rs. 3,00,794-14-11.

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THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE.

Saturday, December, 25, 1920.

"A MUSLIM CONFERENCE."

Ever since he ridiculed the leaders of the Non-Cooperation movement, as being devoid of the brain of a barn-door fowl, Mr. Fazlul Huq has been inclined to play the Wild Man of Borneo. Recently he made an effort to address a gathering or two, but the audience did not offer him the welcome usual to his presence. The Nawab of Dacca and Mr. Huq contrived the other day to have a "Moslem Conference" in Dacca, which was so cliquy and unrepresentative that most people ignored it as a bucket performance. Mr. Huq, who occupied the centre of the stage, delivered a violent diatribe against Non-Co-operation, and he was so pranky in his arguments that the Associated Press sent out copious reports of the utterance, which in turn were blazoned forth as sound wisdom by his earstwhile enemies of the Anglo-Indian press. Mr. Huq is now being lionised as the man who, next to post-prandial orators, is able to puncture Mr. Gandhi's aspiration, by wit. According to one account, he has improved his prospects of securing a ministership. In his Dacca speech, it pleased Mr. Huq to make the following observations on Khilafat workers:

> I do not wish to say anything disrespectful of one who is held in the highest respect and reverence by millions in India, but I feel bound to say that most of the other leaders of the Non-Co-operation movement are notoriously irresponsible agitators, of questionable antecedents, the sincerity of whose motives we have every reason to question.

It is obvious that Mr. Huq, by way of courtesy, spared Mr. Gandhi from his epithets, but the rest are notoriously irresponsible agitators. By the same token, Mr. Huq was twelve months ago stigmatised as an irresponsible agitator by his present admirers.

Leaving the question of antecedents, which is the favourite theme of Eatanswill politicians, we ask Mr. Huq if in the present agitation on behalf of the Khilafat, he has found much to provoke enquiry into motives. We have never had as yet an agitation so purged of material selfishness as the Non-Co-operation movement in India. In fact, one of the abiding causes of hope in the present movement is the elimination of the axe-grinding politician. Instead, we have had a small procession of men who forsake the gains of traditional humdrum politics in the hope of adding the sacrifice of life to the surrender of wealth. Sudden fireworks are easy. We recall in one of the published letters of Mr. Mahomed Ali to a friend at Balliol from Chindwara, in which he says that while the choice of sudden glory was good, the burden of long drawn trials was greater because it involved the bigger grind. And, in the present movement, the lead has been taken by men who, with eyes open, choose the longer path, the bigger grind. Mr. Gandhi is above the reach of unjust reproach. Men next to him could have bought peace for themselves, since for their talent the coveted prizes of the market were never beyond them or above their worth. Mr. Gandhi has in a small way carried with him the power of personal saviourship, and men fettered to the sordid aims of life, have been given the vision of personal effacement, by his example. One often thinks of the orbit of personal force within which Nicodemus found himself near the presence of the Master or of Zacchaeus crawling down the sycamore tree at the gaze from beneath. These current occurrences are too near us to be focussed in right perspective. But look at men like the Nehrus, Mr. Das, Mr. Rajagopalachari, and a score of others who, while ceasing to be afraid of distress and poverty, feel happy at the touch of a personal mission. Nothing in the world can claim immaculate leadership, and it is but bare justice to recognise Mr. Gandhi and his immediate following as representative of a spirit of zeal and sacrifice which has the least mingling of ulterior "motives." We say this not merely as a word in context with Mr. Huq's monstrous supposition, but also as a tribute to the purifying power of self-less example. We repeat that never was a movement so divorced from personal ends as the movement of Mr. Gandhi; and not to realise it shows a degree of thoughtlessness that is unworthy of the accuser.

Apart from personal accusations which mean nothing, Mr. Huq proceeded to make an allegation which is nothing short of an incitement to repression. For Mr. Huq said:—

> There are some who have frankly and openly confessed to me that they do not care a brass farthing for the Khilafat, but that their sole object in pushing forward the programme of the boycott of educational institutions is to bring back the days of anarchist outrages, and thereby pave the way for a revolution in India.

Mr. Huq affirms that some individuals confessed to him that their aim—"their sole object"—was to re-usher "the days of anarchist outrages and thereby pave the way for a revolution in India." Mr. Huq is not an ignorant fool, but with these contrivers of revolution and anarchy confiding their plans to him, what is his plain duty? As a lawyer has pointed out, his course is clear. Mr. Huq himself is a lawyer with a big practice. Under the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code, he is, with this knowledge of outrage and treason brewing among his interlocutors, bound to give information to Government. No citizen is excused for his silence under such serious circumstances, and one who, with the knowledge, remains silent is liable to be proceeded against under the Penal Code. Has Mr. Huq given any information to the police after those blood-curdling confessions? If he has not, are Government going to prosecute him for a grave dereliction of duty? These are vital questions which both Mr. Huq and the Government ought jointly and severally to answer. Is it not the fact that Mr. Huq was carried off his feet by the flood of his own rhetoric and relied on mythical confidences which, howsoever valued by his friends, are liable to be quoted by the enemies of the movement, who wait for incitement and empty offers of corroborration? Section 44 of the Criminal Procedure Code and Section 123 of the Penal Code ought to be read and re-read by Mr. Huq before he ventures again to be caught in the cleft of his own argument. It will be interesting if one of the new stagers in the Councils puts a question touching the assertions made at Dacca and the legal consequences of the information. We do not attach serious importance to Mr. Huq's speech, but there is need even among hotspurs to be a little cautious for the sake of their own reputation. Attack the issue of the programme on its merits, by all means, but to talk of corrupt motives to this forward party is mean to the point of sacrilege. And when accusations are buttressed by fantastic stories of unknown "conspirators," the whole case falls by the weight of its own absurdity. Why malign thus?

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

There have been no more fervid champions of the League of Nations than Lord Robert Cecil. But the League of Nations, the account of whose activities Lord Robert Cecil has furnished to a Reuter's representative, is not the League of Free Nations that he, along with other earnest-minded internationalists, hoped to see reared out of the ruins of the old world-order smashed by the War. The League of Nations, which has just concluded its first session at Geneva, is an assembly dominated by the Council of the Big Allied Powers. Its discussions may best be described as having been interesting rather than important. This is, of course, not intended to detract from their weight and character. Pious aspirations and platitudes have been given expression to by the delegates, who attended the Assembly. Perhaps, some of them, like Lord Robert Cecil, meant what they said. Not so all the others. The net result, therefore, is that the session has been productive of nothing that will have any practical bearing on the affairs of the world during the ensuing year. The reasons are not far to seek. The most important of these is that the League can only discuss but not act and this defect in turn is due to its composition as well as to the attitude of the Big Powers which dominate it. Germany, Russia and Turkey are excluded from it and the United States has boycotted it. Lord Robert Cecil says that the admission of Germany would be determined on the principle laid down in the case of Bulgaria, namely, whether she was sincere in her intention of observing her international obligations. The excuse is as hypocritical as it is absurd. Has the League of Nations taken any account of the breach of international obligations, on the part of France and Belgium, as revealed in their failure to publish their secret military alliance—not to speak of the solemn pledges, in reference to war-aims, which have been shamefully broken by the Big Powers themselves? On the question of mandates—the device discovered by the Allies to deprive the world of the fruits of war by perpetuating the policy of economic imperialism—the Assembly has proved a failure. Germany has openly questioned the whole policy of the Big Powers in regard to mandates inasmuch as they have assigned the latter to themselves, thus usurping the function of the Assembly. So long as this policy of annexation continues there can be no hope of a real League of Nations. The fact is the League has failed, because the Allied politicians have been proved to be guilty of having belied, by their actions, the lip-service they paid to the ideal out of which it grew. It is, therefore, that while the really grave problems that vitally affect the peace of the world and future of humanity—Russia, Turkey, Ireland, India, Egypt and Persia—were left to be dealt by bankrupt and self-regarding statesmanship, the Assembly was called upon to find a solution for comparatively smaller points of international politics such as—Danzig, Fiume, Albania and Armenia. So long as these grave problems are not solved, so long as Ireland, India, Egypt, Persia are not allowed to control their own destiny and the breaches of pledges involved in the Treaty of Sevres repudiated and the people of the pre-war Turkish Empire allowed to evolve their own system of Government without economic and political domination by any of the Big Powers, and so long as Russia does not join the comity of the free nations of the world, the League of Nations will remain—a glorified debating society.

Notes of the Day.

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Persecution of Mr. Horniman.

"India" received by last mail writes:—

> We commented last week on the scandal of the continued official persecution of Mr. Horniman. The Indian mail that has since come in has brought a report of the enthusiastic tributes paid to him at the meeting of the first All-India Trade Union Congress held at Bombay, which we reproduce elsewhere in to-day's issue. The resolution that was passed by the Congress and the speeches delivered in its support by speakers belonging to different political groups, should serve to bring home to the authorities that the forcible detention of Mr. Horniman in this country has not helped to make Indians forget him or his great work on behalf of India, but merely constitutes an aggravation of the present tense situation in India. We do not profess to know the sources of the inner wire-pulling that presumably is responsible for the unconscionable treatment to which Mr. Horniman continues to be subjected. It is nineteen months now since he was deported at a few hours notice without any charge or trial of any sort from a country which he had made his home for fourteen years, and whose highest interests he has served with single-minded devotion, brilliant ability and conspicuous success. The meanness of the bureaucratic revanche against him may be judged from the fact that he was given no opportunity to settle his affairs. How many of the gentlemen constituting the "Government of Bombay"—to whose tender mercies Mr. Montagu persists in consigning, Mr. Horniman—well provided as they are with their salaries and their allowances and their pensions, could have afforded to be thus deprived of their means of livelihood? That is an aspect of the matter which the gentlemen concerned have apparently ignored in their well-nourished complacency.

Duty of the People.

The journal proceeds:—

> That is a point, however, which we only raise by the way. The larger principles involved in the deportation of Mr. Horniman are of the highest possible public importance, and if it were not that the conscience of the British Parliament has been blunted by the war, and its sense of liberty of the subject undermined, we should before now have had a more penetrating and effective inquisition of the Secretary of State for India on this matter. We note that one of the speakers at the Trade Union Congress—Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas—declared that he still has faith in Sir George Lloyd, and hoped that this, "the greatest blot on the administration of his Excellency," would "not be allowed to remain one moment longer." We do not share Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas's estimate of the statesmanship of the Governor of Bombay, but we think a good way of testing it would be for him and other leaders in Bombay to take a deputation to Sir George Lloyd. We should then know if his Excellency does his thinking for himself or allows it to be done for him by his bureaucratic entourage. Meanwhile India well remembers Mr. Horniman. "The inextinguishable love for Mr. Horniman" says the new editor of the "Bombay Chronicle," "which animates the masses, their veneration for his name, must have impressed everyone who has come in contact with them." And, we may add, what is true of the masses is true also of the classes—of all classes!—with the exception of a few personal and political enemies.

It is not necessary to add anything to what our contemporary has said; but we cannot help saying that the public of Bombay have not done all they could do to bring about the removal of the unjust ban against Mr. Horniman. We trust the Nagpur Congress will not fail to do its duty in the matter.

Bandra Slaughter-House.

The question of removal of the slaughter-house from Bandra has so long been under consideration that it is a relief to find that at last some definite steps are being taken to put an end to a great public nuisance. The Corporation at its meeting on Thursday accepted the proposal of the Commissioner to acquire land near the Municipal *katchra* siding and dumping ground at Deonar for locating the slaughter-house. The site, the Commissioner says, is "the most suitable of available sites as it will be easy of access both by rail and road and yet so placed as not to diminish the amenities of any of the city's suburbs or offend the susceptibilities of any of the vegetarian classes of the population." We hope it is so; but now that the decision to remove the slaughter-house from Bandra has been taken, we trust the Government, who have to acquire the land for the Municipality, and the Municipal Executive, who have to build a new slaughter-house, will not allow their efforts to slacken—for, apart from the fact that the slaughter-house is an eyesore, the site occupied by it is urgently required for housing purposes. In this connection there is one consideration which cannot be over-emphasised. The new slaughter-house must be built on the most up-to-date sanitary and humane lines. If animals are to be killed to provide food for human beings, it is necessary to see that the slaughter is accompanied with the least cruelty possible and it is hoped that the horrible practices now prevalent at Bandra will be things of the past.

PROBLEM OF UNEMPLOYMENT.

IS EMIGRATION A SOLUTION?

PREMIER'S SPEECH IN COMMONS.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

In the course of he debate on unemployment in the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Lloyd George pointed out that unemployment was felt throughout the world. It was far worse in Germany and the United States than here, and the only country which was possibly in a better position was France which was restoring its devastated areas. The situation in Britain was not so bad as in 1908. Referring to the attitude of the building trades unions, which he considered selfish, he showed that it would take ten or twelve years to wipe off the arrears of house building.

If the trades unions declined the Government scheme the Government would resolt to other methods. Referring to the causes of depression he said that our customers were insolvent. We were selling to Europe only a small proportion of what we were supplying before the war. He dwelt on the bad condition of Europe and pointed out that until she had recovered, the prospect was serious. He contended that if the scheme now being considered by Sir Robert Horne and most able business men to give trade credit to Central Europe could be evolved, it would be a much more helpful method of dealing with unemployment than any amount of road-making. China also was suffering because silver had depreciated and India, because the monsoon was not a success. Customers throughout the world were not sending orders.

EMIGRATION.

At the same time despite the losses of war we had to find employment for a million more men and women than in 1914. He would not like to say we could do it. He thought we should have to face the problem of emigration within the Empire. War brought out the fact that men who emigrated were not lost to us. The remarkable thing was that they were there when wanted and almost without exception young fellows who had recently gone out were the first to enlist in the war. Therefore when we talked of emigration we were far from losing strength of these virile men who were a strength to the Empire whether in Great Britain or in the Dominions. He would like to see the scheme considered conjointly with the Dominions for finding employment for men for whom, he was afraid it would be difficult to find permanent employment in Great Britain for some time, certainly until the world had been restored to aproximately the normal conditions. He agreed it was desirable to investigate the unemployment problem in a more searching way than by Parliamentary debate and thouuht that the Industrial Conference at which all interests should be represented and at which views could be exchanged would be better than appointment of a Commission.

Sir Norton Griffiths appealed for an immediate extensive policy of State-aided emigration to the Dominions. He asked Mr. Lloyd George to cable to Canada, Australia and New Zealand not South Africa because the natives did work there to ascertain how many men trained in the rudiments of agriculture could be absorbed with the grant of a hundred or two hundred sterling each.

PREMIER ON WHAT LEAGUE HAS DONE.

HIS HOPES FOR GERMANY AND AMERICA.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 1 p.m., Dec. 24.

Mr. Lloyd George presiding at the House of Commons luncheon to the Dominions' delegates at the Geneva Assembly said that much had already been accomplished. The League had raised the status of labour throughout the world. Its most conspicuous work had been the establishment of an International Court of Justice but the League would not achieve real progress till all the nation were represented.

He belived that Germany desired to carry out her Treaty obligations and there would be no obstacle to her admission, if she made this desire quite manifest. He hoped sincerely that America would join. This was essential, because disarmament was impossible until all the nations were in the League. He congratulated the representatives of the Empire on their prominent part in the first Assembly.

UNEMPLOYED COMMITTEE.

IATION WORKS BEGUN.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

Lord St. David's Unemployed Committee has begun the alleviation works with the Government grant of three millions sterling.

RAID ON CORK POST OFFICE.

STAFF AND PUBLIC HELD UP WITH REVOLVERS.

ONE RAIDER KILLED.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

A party of armed men raided the Cork Post Office and held up the staff and the public with revolvers. A policeman on duty at the office fired on the raiders killing one. Several persons were wounded. It is not yet known if they are raiders. The miltary subsequently searched the building and captured a wounded raider.

THREE SEPARATE ENCOUNTERS.

SINN FEIN CASUALTIES.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

No further particulars of the reported battle at Mullinahone have hitherto been received beyond the official report which mentions three separate encounters between the military and the Sinn Feinners, resulting, so far as is known, in sixteen Sinn Fein casualties. One soldier was wounded. No mention is made of capture of prisoners.

MR. FARROW IN POLICE COURT.

PROSECUTION CASE OPENED.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

Mr. Farrow appeared at the Mansion House police Court, to-day. He asked to see the doctor and said he had been meeting imaginary people on the stairs. The prosecution case was formally opened and Mr. Farrow was remanded on bail of £28,000 sterling and sureties. Mr. Hart's bail has been reduced to £4,000.

RHONDDA MINERS' STRIKE.

OWING TO DISMISSED MEN NOT BEING RE-INSTATED.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

A general strike has been declared in the Rhondda coalfield owing to eleven men no being reinstated after being dismissed. Fifty-thousand workers are affected.

BELFAST SPINNING MILLS CLOSED.

THIRTY THOUSAND OPERATIVES IDLE

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

The spinning mills in Belfast have closed until January 24th owing to depression. Thirthy-thousand operatives are involved. A number of tinplate works in Swansea, [illegible]nd Neath are closing owing to [illegible]

[illegible]ELECTION RESULTS.

MORE LABOUR VICTORY.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

The following results of byelections are announced:—

Monmouthshire, Abertillery.

Barker (Labour) 15,492.
Hay Morgan (Coalition) 7,842.

Rhondda West.

John (Labour) 14,035.
Rowlands (Coalition) 9,959.

STABILISATION OF IMPERIAL EXCHANGES.

PARTNERSHIP IN CURRENCY AND CREDIT.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m. Dec. 24.

Mr. F. J. Darling read a paper before the Institute of Bankers on the problem of stablisation of Imperial exchanges. He proposed that there should be an Ipmerial partnership in currency and credit and that an Empire Bank should be established for which a pound sterling or four dollars should be a pound of the British Empire. The "Daily Chronicle" in a leader while recognising its difficulties supports, the scheme which it thinks might be applied with success and a great advantage to the trade of Britain and the Dominions whose material interests and fortunes are so closely linked up.

INDIANS IN KENYA COLONY.

QUESTION OF REPRESENTATION IN LEGESLATIVE COUNCIL.

NO RESTRICTION ON IMMIGRATION TO BE INTRODUCED.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

Replying in the House of Commons to Sir J. D. Rees Colonel Amery stated that it had been decided that representation of the Indians on the Legislative Council of Kenya should be by election but the nature of franchise had not yet been settled. It had also been decided that there would be no question of introducing restrictions on immigration of Indians, other than the immigration ordinances which were of general application.

REPORT OF MILNER AND COMMISSION.

TO BE DISCUSSED IN COMMONS AFTER CHRISTMAS.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 21.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

The report of Lord Milner's Commission on Egypt was signed on December 21st and submitted to the Foreign Secretary. It is a printed document of about fifty foolscap pages and unanimous. It will be submitted to the Cabiet and laid on the table in the House of Commons after Christmas.

COMMITTEE ON BURMA BILL.

WHAT THE DEPUTATION IS TO DO.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 21.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

Replying to Sir J. D. Rees Mr. Montagu said that Parliament would decide whether the Committee on the Burma Bill should be appointed and the Bill be referred to it and the Committee, if appointed, would decide whether to take evidence and if so from whom. He was afraid therefore that he could not undertake the responsibility of advising whether the Burma Deputation should remain or return to Burma so far as the Committee was concerned. If the Deputation considered it advisable to prepare a written statement of their case he would take any opportunity of communicating it to the Committee.

PETROL AND BITUMEN DEPOSITS IN HUNGARY.

CONCESSION TO ANGLO-HUNGARIAN SYNDICATE.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

Budapest.—The National Assembly has passed the Bill granting concession to an Anglo-Hungarian syndicate to explore the petrol and bitumen deposits in Hungary.

ESS PROFITS DUTY.

NOT TO BE ABANDONED.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

It is officially denied that the Cabinet is abandoning the Excess Profits Duty.

REDUCED OCEAN RATES FOR COTTON

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

Galveston. (Texas).—The ocean rates for cotton between Galveston and Liverpool and Manchester have been cut from a hundred and fifteen to ninety cents for hundred weight via first class steamers, eighty-five via second class and eighty via tramps. The rates are the lowest since 1917.

DEVASTATING EARTHQUAKE IN MENDOZA.

FOUR HUNDRED KILLED

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

Buenos Aires.—Four-hundred persons hav been killed, in an earthquake in Mendoza and several villages have been destroyed.

GEN. CAVIGLIA'S ULTIMATUM.

D'ANNUNZIO NOT RECOGNISING TREATY OF RAPALLO.

BLOCKADE OF FIUME ORDERED.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

Rome.—D'Annunsio has replied to General Caviglia's ultimatum stating that he does not recognise the Treaty of Rapallo and has decided to resist. General Caviglia has accordingly ordered strict land and sea blockade of Fiume which will be absolutely isolated and cut off from all relief.

PROPOSED PIPELINE FOR OIL FROM MOSUL.

QUESTION OF COST RAISED IN COMMONS.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 21.
Recd. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 24.

Replying in the House of Commons to Major Ormsby Gore Mr. Lloyd George said that the Government had not received the estimates of met cost, per ton of oil, entailed in erecting a pipeline from an olifield nea Mosul to the Mediterranean or the Persian Gulf, though the subject had been considered. He though it might safely be assumed that if oil was found in quantity, there would be no commercial or economie obstacle to its transport by a pipeline to the seacoast.

NAGPUR CONGRESS.

ARRIVAL OF PRESIDENT-ELECT.

(Associated Press.)

NAGPUR, Dec. 24.

The arrangements for the Congress are well nigh complete and the Pandal erected at Craddock Town is very spacious and is slightly bigger than that of Amritsar. Delegates and visitors are pouring in large numbers from all parts of India and already most of the prominent Congressmen are in the City.

Mr. Gandhi, who had been to Calcutta, has returned and is staying at the Marwadi Boarding House opposite the Pandal.

Lala Rajpat Rai and Harkishan Lal, Pandits Moti Lal Nehru and Jawahar Lal Nehru, Sarla Devi Chowdhrani, Moulanas Mohamed Ali and Shaukat Ali are all staying in different localities.

A Madras special train conveying the President elect Mr. C. Vijayaraghavachariar with a large contingent of delegates numbering about one hundred and fifty arrived at 8 in the morning.

Messrs. Gandhi, Shaukat Ali, Mohamed Ali, Moti Lal Nehru, Jawahar Lal Nehru, Srimati Sarla Devi and Lala Harikishan Lal were present on the platform to receive the president elect who was garlanded by Seth Jaman Lal, Chairman of the Reception Committee. Among the local Congressmen present at the station were Dr. Moonje and Mr. M. R. Dikshit.

Those who arrived by the Madras special included Messrs. S. Kasthuri Ranga Iyengar, A. Rangaswami Iyengar, B. V. Narasinha Iyer, T. V. Venkata Rama Iyer, S. Sathyamurthi, Yakub Hasan, Aruminathan Pillai and Miss Peterson of the Danish Mission.

A snap shot of the garlanding of the president elect was taken on his arrival and among those who stood by him were Messrs. Gandhi, Pandit Moti Lal and Jawahar Lal and Sarla Devi Chowdrani. The president elect will stay at Mr. Bhawani Shanker's house in Craddock town.

THE CONGRESS PANDAL.

BEAUTIFUL INTERNAL ARRANGEMENT

(Associated Press.)

NAGPUR, Dec. 24.

The Congress Pandal is now ready and nearly sixteen thousand seats, including ten thousand for the delegates had been provided and quite a good number of them are reserved for the press. The Pandal in size is slightly bigger than any previously erected and the remarkable feature this year is the nicety of the decorations and the complete perfection of arrangements inside the pandal, which reflects great credit on Mr. Abdul Hassan, contractor and Mr. D. R. Thengdi, engineer-in-charge. All chairs and benches have been neatly built at an enormous expense and are of uniform type.

On the dais a raised platform has been erected to seat the President in such a conspicuous position as to command the whole audience. In front of the presidential chair at a short distance is edected the restrum wherefrom all the speeches will be delivered.

At the top of the pandal waves the Home Rule Flag with the insignia of the "Crescent."

BOMMIDI RLY. DISASTER.

(Associated Press.)

MADRAS, Dec. 24.

The District Magistrate of Salem wires that the total number of deaths resulting from the Railway collision at Bommidi amounts to forty-eight and the number of injured is twenty-five.

BOLSHEVIST PROPAGANDA IN EAST.

SCHEMES OF ANTI-BRITISH COMPAIGN.

AN AUTHORITATIVE STATEMENT.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Dec. 21.
Recd. 1 p.m., Dec. 24.

An authoritative statement with regard to the Bolshevist propaganda especially in the East shows that Soviet Russia is still waging remorseless anti-British campaign particularly in Afghanistan, Persia, Trans-Causasia, Mesopotamia and Egypt. Bolshevist policy was being pursued on well-defined lines firstly through training of emissaries in the communistic principles; secondly in the sending of emissaries to prepare a revolution in countries selected and thirdly in the organisation of a revolution by secret societies in different guises, but all were directed from Moscow. The members of these societies were all armed as far as possible and bound by a solemn oath the breaking of which meant death.

Having obtained a footing by consular agents or by political missions as in Afghanistan, or by actual occupation as in North Persia or by combination of both as in Anatolia, the Soviet then proceeds to create a revolutionary party which will betray the country. The case of Bokhara is the most recent example of this method. The Bolshevist agents were entirely friendly until their plans were ripe when they overwhelmed the country. Precisely the same policy is being pursued at Kabul as was successful in Bokhara and in the event of the Bolshevist mission having to withdraw, arrangements have already been made for Soviet propaganda being continued by secret agents unknown to the Afghan Government. M. Surits, the Soviet agent at Kabul, is now endeavouring to isolate Afghanistan by removing the states with which the Amir might have allied himself. He is also trying to instigate hostile action against Britain and failing this to use Afghanistan as the corridor for stirring up frontier and, if possible, India itself.

INDIAN RLY. COMMITTEE.

"CO-MANAGEMENT A RIGHT THING."

(Associated Press.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 23.

At the sitting of the Indian Railway Committee to-day, Mr. F. R. Bagley, a retired Chief Engineer, the State Railway, in the course of his evidence stated that the company management of railways was the right thing, provided it was the right kind of company. It should be domiciled in India, with a considerable amount of freedom. Certain limited amount of state control was necessary, and the state should concern itself with looking after financial interest, and enough supervision to see if it was properly done.

He suggested the separation of railway funds from general revenue on the same system as was prevalent in Switzerland. The Viceroy's Council would have the control over the railway board, which would be the manager on behalf of Government. The witness would give Government a fair share of profits and fix a rate of interest on their capital, and they should not look upon it as revenue at all. They would get their costs and charges for what they actually paid, and allow the Railway Board to spend the rest on projects and new railways.

MALAVIYA AT JUBBULPORE

ON BOYCOTT OF SCHOOLS.

(Associated Press.)

JUBBULPUR, Dec. 24.

Pandit Madan Mohan Malvia arrived here by mail. He adyised the gentlemen that had collected to give him a reception at the station not to ruin wholesale the career of the boys, by withdrawing them from schools and colleges.

PLAGUE IN MADRAS.

(Associated Press.)

MADRAS, Dec. 23.

Some cases of plague have recently been reported in Madras. During the last night, two persons died of plague at the Isolation Hospital at Krishnampet. Yesterday morning, a family of five, who were suffering from plague, arrived in the city of Coimbatore, and were sent to the Isolation Hospital on suspicion, where one of them, an old woman, died, and the others were found to be suffering from Plague.

AN AEROPLANE CRASH.

(Associated Press.)

BANGALORE, Dec. 23.

An Aeroplane crash occurred yesterday out in the country towards the Yeswanthpur Railway junction, Flying Officer Colin Vrey having a remarkable escape. He is one of the best men in the Royal Air Force, and was doing spiral, when the machine came down nose first, and practically telescoped. Mr. Grey escaped with a badly smashed foot, which may necessitate amputation, and injuries to the head.

SEGREGATION IN KENYA.

QUESTION OF NOTIFICATION OF RESERVATION.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA'S INTERVENTION.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Recd. 1 p.m., Dec. 24.

In the House of Commons Mr. Bennett asked.—In view of the official statement that no action is to be taken in Kenya with regard to segregation, pending further consideration, has the notification to the Kenya Government on October 13th defining certain area in Mombasa township as European residential reservation been cancelled?

Mr. Leslie Wilson replied that a telegram was sent to the Governor of Kenya on November 13th informing him that the Government of India had asked that the sale of residential plots in Mombasa should be suspended till their representations with regard to the policy of segregation were received. In the circumstances, no action with regard to the notification appeared necessary pending decision regarding the policy.

A SNUB FOR "TINO."

BRITISH AND FRENCH MINISTERS DECLINE DECORATIONS.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Received 9-30 a.m., Dec. 25.

Paris.—It appears that King Constantine has been severely snubbed by Great Britain and France, for according to an Athens message the British Minister Admiral Kelly after being received in audience and presented with that Grand Cordon of St. Saviour, notified the Greek Government that he regretted that he was unable to accept the decoration and that he was returning it. Meanwhile the French Minister General Gramat learning that the intention was to present him with a similar honour intimated very firmly that acceptance was impossible.

ANGLO-PERSIAN AGREEMENT.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 21.
Received 9-30 a.m., Dec. 25.

In the House of Commons replying to Mr. Ormsby Gore, Mr. Harmsworth stated that the Persian Mejliss had not yet met and it had therefore had no opportunity to express an opinion on the Anglo-Persian Agreement.

INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

PERSIA'S ADHERENCE.

(Reuter's Telegrams.)

LONDON, Dec. 21.
Received 9-30 a.m., Dec. 25.

Brussels.—The Persian Minister has announced Persia's official adherence to the International Chamber of Commerce.

REDUCTION IN PRICE OF PETROL.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.
Received 9-30 a.m., Dec. 25.

The price of petrol in Britain is being reduced by seven pence a gallon on January 1st.

CHAMPARAN SENSATION.

BEHAR GOVT.'S STATEMENT.

(Associated Press.)

PATNA, Dec. 24.

The Behar Government have issued a statement on the recent Champaran happenings, exculpating the police, against whom various charges of looting were made in the local press. Mr. Gandhi's "Young India", describes it as "Dyerism" in Champaran. The Government holds that the suppression of telegrams at the time of occurrence was justifiable, as the reports were exaggerated, and likely to spread discontent.

CABLE ITEMS.

The death of Sir H. J. Fry (Director-General of Stores, India Office) is announced.

Official & Personal.

Major the Hon. Francis Grosvenor has arrived at Government House on the 24th December.

H. H. the Commander-in-Chief of the East Indies, arrived of Calcutta from Bombay on 23rd instant.

ALLEGATIONS AGAINST A CAPTAIN.

HIS VISITS TO FEMALE QUARTERS

SIALKOT ARMY OFFICER IN TROUBLE.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

DELHI, Dec. 23.

The national Urdu weekly "Bharat Sewak" publishes some allegations against the Captain of a Sikh Regiment, Sialkot, regarding his visiting female quarters without giving any notice to the inmates during the absence of the sepoys specially at times when they were at parade. The paper says, it is in possession of the true copies of the evidences to that effect, records by a Court-martial recently, and asks the Government why it is silent on the point. The paper requests public bodies to protest against the Captain's action, which is a direct insult to the modesty of Indian women.

DUPING THE WORLD'

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—A reader of average intelligence will rub his eyes in amazement when he reads the speeches during the debate on the Supplementary Army Estimates in the House of Commons, appearing in "The Chronicle" of the 20th instant. He will probably be under the delusion, that he is walking on his hands and not on his legs, and in the words of the hero of Miss Corelli's novel will exclaim, "Lo, there is no truth, no God, but there are atoms, atoms and mighty atoms inhabiting, pervading and ruling the universe, whose sole function seems to be the praising of self-perversion of facts and suppression of truths." Mr. Churchill asks for an impartial arbitration for ten millions due to India and which Mr. Montagu, the guardian of the unfortunate infant called India who notwithstanding the age of a few thousand years is still an infant, demands. Now who will be the impartial arbitrators? Will they be Lenin and his Imperial Majesty the Mikado, or Lord Esher and Sir Michael O'Dwyer? Mr. Churchill then benevolently says that General Ironside's force will be withdrawn from Persia in the spring and hopes that some Persian force may be formed to protect the capital. What a fatherly solicitude for the Persian Government and the boyish Shah? Who is the enemy against whom a force is necessary? Perhaps the down-trodden and much-oppressed people of Persia who may rise and shake off the yoke with the help of the citizen Lenin's Red Guards. Now comes the item number three. Rebellion prevents withdrawal of troops from Mesopotamia. Were the Arabs the allies of the Entente Powers or their subjects? If the allies, then now could they be rebels! But in the diplomatic vocabulary of the Foreign Office and the War Office, the Asiatics, however, valued their services may be, are always rebels, if they do not give peaceful possession of their hearths and homes to the myrmidons of the European civilization. So much for the value of a solemnly affirmed treaty between Europe and Asia. Now appears on the scene the mightest atom, i.e., Mr. Lloyd George who says that the action of little Greek atoms against his mighty prototypist atom Venizelos has complicated the situation in Constantinople. Britain in conjunction with the allies has got to decide whether they are prepared to restore the Straits to Turkey and so invite the same treachery again. Has not Mr. Lloyd George proved himself not a pupil, but a preceptor of Machivelli? Did not France and England enter into a secret treaty with the Czarist Russia and assign Constantinople and a portion of the Turkish Empire as spoils to the Czar, when war was declared against Germany, and *prior to the entry of Turkey into the war* and which secret treaty was in some way revealed to the Turks. What right had England and France to give the capital of Turkey to her mortal enemy, while outwardly maintaining friendship and keeping their ambassadors in the metropolis of their victim. What right had England to keep the two battleships for which even the children of Turkey had paid their quota out of their pocket money, and which were so urgently required for defence of the capital against a probable attack of the Russian Black Sea fleet. And to add insult to injury even the money was not returned. And now Mr. Lloyd George is posing as a much-injured martyr, and talks of treachery which is nothing else, but a perversion of facts. If the British people choose to believe him, let them do so but the Indians, he will pardon us, are no longer gullible dupes.—Yours, etc.,

HAKIM RAMLAL RAMNARAIN.

28, Frere Road, Fort,
Bombay, Dec. 21.

A NATIONAL FLAG FOR INDIA.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—At present when the national consciousness of India is awakening, the necessity of a National Flag for India is apparent. A National Flag will undoubtedly advance the cause of Indian Nationalism. It will further stimulate the love of the mother-country in our hearts and also inspire in us a deeper feeling of National unity. Self-respect and individuality of India alike demand that India should have a national flag of her own.

I, therefore, humbly beg to suggest that the National Flag of India should be in the form of an isosciles triangle (with its white base on the pole). It will have a border of light blue colour on both the sides of the triangle. The centre will be red with a circle of the sun and its rays in yellow on the left side and the crescent and 3 stars in white on the right side.

The triangular shape of the flag, the blue borders and the white base will represent the shape of India, the Indian ocean and the snow-capped Himalaya respectively The Golden Sun (in yellow) with its rays will represent the Hindus, as the sun is an object of veneration to them since the *Vedas*. The white crescent and the 3 stars will represent the Mussalmans of India. The flag will thus represent the shape of India, the Indian ocean the eternal Himalaya, the Hindus and the Mussalmans of India; and will appeal to Indians very strongly.

I hope our leaders will kindly accept this design if they approve of it or devise some other form of a National Flag of India as soon as possible, and submit it to the next session of the National Congress and the Moslem League and announce it after it is approved by them.—Yours, etc., etc.

BINDABASINI PROSAD VARMA,
Pleader,
Hajipur (Behar and Orissa).

INDIA'S RELATION TO CHRISTMAS.

(CONTRIBUTED.)

It would seem, at first sight, that this great dependency of the British Empire has no sort of connection, either historically or religiously in respect of the celebration of the great Christian festival of Christmas, for there seems no place in the Calendar of Hinduism for an institution which, on the face of it, appears to owe its existence here to the mere fact of British rule.

And yet India might well advance a sound claim, both historical and religious, to participate in the festival and even play a distinctive part when it is remembered, in the light of Vedic literature, what an important part the great deity Mithra took in the life of the growing Aryan nation, and in the national thought, being worshipped with lively and joyous hymns of praise.

The great festival of Mithra was celebrated on the 25th December, the day, according to the Julian calendar, of the winter solstice. This was the day on which the sun was re-born, when he stood still, as it were, on his onward journey, and then returned with all his warming and revivifying power This natural phenomenon was applied, in the sphere of theology, to the sun-deity, Mithra, who was believed to be graciously turned towards his devotees, and to begin his great summer visit to them. Hence, on the 25th of December the nations around the Mediterranean who worshipped Mithra lighted their lamps and made high festival.

Many of the old customs are retained in modern times. The lights, the feasting, the decorations, the presents, may all at back be non-Christian; but they are ethnic, Indian Mithraic, and as such claim right of existence. The cult of the Aryan Sun-God is in the past, yet the festival may well be continued as the festival of hope, of revival, of a new start of life and warm relationships. Personal life needs such a festival badly enough—a time for the closing of old accounts, remitting past enmities, giving up old habits that are best laid aside, taking on new thoughts, and generally overhauling life's machinery. There are times enough when every man, whatever his age, station or means, has to take hard knocks, and either be knocked down by them or survive them. If moralising be in fashion at the present moment, there is no need to look far for themes. Often, things seem to be going just right with a business man, with family affairs, with social life. Then comes the darkness, the disappointment, and hope is snuffed out. Yet life has its solstitial times, and sunshine comes anew.

India has as much right to keep festival at Christmas-time as any other place in the world. The world has its dark times, its hard pulls; but it is a good warm place yet for humanity. At this season of Christmas let us summon the best feelings of brotherhood and goodwill, and remember that this great festival claims us all; it has large hands that stretch over all lands and bind together the remotest times and interests The new era of light dawns, the hour for the festival of friendship strikes! the day of days summons to generosity, to rejoicing, and to friendliness on all hands.

MR. BEN SPOOR AT NADIAD

"FREE INDIA MEANS FREE BRITAIN."

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

NADIAD, Dec. 16.

Before a large gathering Mr. Ben Spoor, M.P., delivered a short speech, in the course of which he said:—"So far as I have got the opportunities to gauge your feelings I have found the unity and unanimity and mind to sacrifice and I can realise that there is, real desire to be free. Well, we may fight your case in the House of Commons or seek to educate the British public opinion, but it is you, who have to win the fight and get your freedom. When one sees above the differences of religion and opinions, when the rich and the poor unite in a true spirit of Nationalism, there is no power in Britain or India that can ultimately resist your demand. We want a free England and a free India. This freedom will not separate them, but England and India may be bound by ties of friendship as two free countries.

I realise that behind your movement there are centuries of spiritual training. There is a spiritual support to keep your movement clean and pure. Your efforts may make England free from material ideals. The world is full of shadows, but the passion for freedom was never stronger. A free India may mean a free Britain, and together we can go forward to secure the world for a free humanity."

INDIA'S PART IN WORLD STRUGGLE.

NEED FOR INDIAN PROPAGANDA ABROAD.

BY B. G. HORNIMAN.

Not the least important of the questions which will be discussed at the forthcoming session of the Congress is that of the conduct of Indian propaganda in foreign countries. I am aware that there is a considerable body of opinion in India which is entirely averse to the expenditure of any Indian money at all on foreign propaganda. I do not share their opinion and I trust, as indeed I believe, that it is not the opinion of the majority. The policy of Non-Cooperation and self-reliance ought not to mean that India is to shut herself up and ignore the outside world altogether. There are two main principles involved in the policy of Non-Cooperation. The first is refusal to have any association with a Government or administration which has so lamentably failed to fulfil its most elementary duty—to govern with humanity and justice. The second is that the Indian people should rely primarily upon themselves, upon their own efforts, for their emancipation from the foreign chains which now bind them. But it does not follow that, on that account, they are to boycott the British proletariat, as distinct from the British Government; that they are to stand aloof, refusing to seek alliance with the British people, who, as Colonel Wedgwood recently very truly told an audience in Bombay, are as much the victims of the oppressors who are oppressing the Indian people as the Indian people themselves. For the masses in Great Britain are yet far from having emancipated themselves from the shackles placed upon them by the ruling caste, even after nearly a hundred years of so-called democracy. Parliamentary institutions are, perhaps, on their last trial in Britain. A few more years of the trickery—trickery by manipulation of the franchise and the method of division into constituencies, as well as trickery by cheating the electorate—which places all the governing power in the hands of a clique who are out for domination and exploitation of their own people, as well as others, and the Parliamentary system will be brought crumbling in the dust. Only if the proletariat succeed in the near future in achieving real government of the people, by the people, for the people through Parliamentary institutions will these survive in Britain, a prospect for which all who love peace and abhor violence must devoutedly hope to see realised.

BRITISH DEMOCRACY,

This is not a diversion. It is intended to illustrate for the benefit of Indian readers the difficulties against which the British democracy has to struggle. At the moment the masses in Great Britain are in the toils of Capitalism, Imperialism and Militarism, as represented in the present Government by the Curzons, the Churchills, and the Montagus. When 131 Members of the House of Commons went into the Lobby to oppose even the mild treatment meted out to Dyer by Mr. Montagu and his colleagues, and a majority in the House of Lords actually condoned the Amritsar massacre, many Indians gave up the British people in despair and disgust. It was natural. But if it was right to give up the British Government in disgust, it was wrong to assume that the British people condoned Dyerism and O'Dwyerism. On the contrary, excluding the small class or caste to which those two worthies belong, go where one would, one heard the Punjab Terror spoken of, by those who had been told the facts, with indignation, loathing and shame, and by none more than the workers. But they are themselves the victims of the very caste whose representatives inflicted upon the Punjab an agony greater than that of Belgium by the Prussians and more calculated and refined in its deliberateness and cruelty; otherwise, how would the O'Dwyers and the Dyers have been in India to commit these crime and Chelmsford and his coadjutors to abet them? The power is with the people, but it is robbed and abused by those who are clever enough to time elections and raise artificial and dishonest issues to suit their own ends. The day will come, however, when the people, their political education achieved, will hul the abusers of power from the seats they have usurped, and that day will see the emancipation of India as well as the emancipation of the British proletariat. It is not very far off. Until it comes India will not be free. Until the reins of government in Britain come truly into the hands of the people India will not be free, for whatever compromises may be offered, whatever snares laid before the Indian people, be very certain that while capitalists and vested interests rule in England there is and will not be any honesty of intention in any reform or promise of reform. They will never relax their grip while they control the machine-guns and the munitions. They have their interests to serve, and those interests are to them supreme. They are above humanity. They are above justice.

DUTY OF INDIANS.

The Indian people are right to refuse to co-operate with such evil forces. But they will not thereby alone achieve freedom; for those who have power do not mean to give them freedom. They will by the policy of Non-Cooperation retain their self-respect, which is the greatest possession a people can have, and they will build anew the position in the world's esteem that, as a subject-people, they have lost. But they must do all in their power in the meanwhile to win the affection and co-operation of all their fellow-sufferers, of all the other people in the world. In Europe and in America the workers of Western countries are seeking to unite, to work in harmony and with the strength of unity, for the one common aim that all have in view—the destruction of capitalistic domination, with its evil attendants of Militarism and Imperialism. The people of India have their part to play, not only in India but in this great world-struggle, and they must not hold aloof in any selfish spirit of sullenness and resentment which would react against those who would and will serve them, as well as against themselves.

It is because I feel that there is something of this spirit existing among some sections in India, and that it may play its part in bringing about an unwise decision to refrain from all foreign propaganda, whether in England or elsewhere, that I desire to urge on all my friends in India, on all those who value my advice—on all those who know that I have but one thought and aim in my life, to work for the country of my adoption, for the emancipation of her people, that they may play the great part that should be theirs in the emancipation of all humanity—not to relax the attention that has hitherto been given to the work of propagating the Indian cause in Europe and America, but rather to stimulate and increase their energies in that direction.

For the past nineteen months I have been working with the British Committee of the Indian National Congress, during my enforced absence in England. Beginning with a rather sceptical view as to its utility—a view, perhaps, justified by the conditions at the moment of my arrival—experience has shown me the great value of its work and the essential need of its continued existence in the form adopted in the new constitution, which was evolved last year by the combined wisdom of Lokmanya Tilak and Dr. Clark. It would be a disaster, which I hardly dare to contemplate, were the Committee to be dissolved or were any step taken which would impair its utility or deprive the Congress of the valued co-operation on it of the British public men—lovers of liberty and true-hearted workers for the Indian cause—who have been and are helping us with selfless devotion.

"INDIA"

If I was sceptical as to the value of the Committee when I first came to England, I was still more sceptical as to the value of the Journal INDIA. I have become convinced of the value of both. INDIA has been infused during the past year with a new spirit, with a vigour and uncompromising tone, that constitutes it a splendid and most valuable asset to the Congress cause in England. It is the vade mecum of every Member of Parliament and public man who studies Indian questions; it is the resort in emergency of every Member of Parliament and public man who find himself suddenly confronted with the need to form an opinion on any Indian question that comes suddenly to the fore; its repute is gradually penetrating throughout the country, to all the Labour and other organisations that stand for freedom. The value of a journal like INDIA is not to be judged by its circulation in numbers, but by its influence and the work it is doing for the cause as a propagandist organ. INDIA is becoming of increasing value in that respect to those of us who are fighting for the Congress in this country, and it will grow more valuable if it is not starved. I could not have shown my own appreciation of its value more greatly than by persuading, as I was able with others to do, my friend Syud Hossain to give up all other work and devote himself to the conduct of INDIA for at least a year.

I do not desire to express any detailed opinions here on other forms of propaganda on which the Congress may embark, except to say this: that, in my view, it is essential that all propaganda in England should continue to be entrusted to the British Committee, as at present constituted, who, while always, of course, carrying out and never departing from the policy and resolutions of the Congress, should be in all other respects an autonomous body with full powers to conduct propaganda in the way that they, the people on the spot, conceive to be most effective. I am not a believer in one-man rule, whether in Government or in political organisations.—"INDIA."

Mr. HORNIMAN IN WALES.

LECTURE ON "SITUATION IN INDIA."

Mr. B. G. Horniman gave an address on "The Situation in India" at Briton Ferry on Sunday, November 28, under the auspices of the local I.L.P. There was a crowded hall and the address was listened to with the utmost attention and interest by the audience, who enthusiastically applauded the speaker at the close. The chairman in closing the proceedings, remarked that the Labour Party was out to obtain freedom for all oppressed nationalities, but, after listening to Mr. Horniman's powerful address, they in Briton Ferry were in a position to appreciate more vividly and with greater knowledge the realities of the situation in India and the sufferings of the people, and to realise the duty that lay upon the British people to repair the wrongs done to India, which, as Mr. Horniman had said, could only be done by releasing the Indian people from their bondage.—"INDIA."

AFFAIRS

SIR HAMILTON GRANT'S APPEAL.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

PESHAWAR, Dec. 24.

The spirit which moved the students of the Islamia College at Lahore to give up their studies has also spread sometime ago to the North-West Frontier Province and affected the students of the Islamia College at Peshawar, but fortunately the spirit has not pervaded all the students and those that had stopped work, only did so, for a short time.

Sir Hamilton Vrant recently met the Governors, benefactors and trustees of the college at Government House in order to discuss the general situation, which had arisen with a view to remove any misunderstanding which may crop up in the future.

Sir Hamilton in the course of his speech first referred to the non-cooperation movement which, he said, was attempting to wreck the educational institutions throughout India. It affected the educational institutions. So long as the non-cooperationists provided an education equla in value to that which the Government and aided schools were providing and if the people of this country would of their own accord create for themselves great schools and great colleges, we had not a word to say but until they had done so, do not let the political madness rob our young men of their just rights. He touched upon the effect which this movement had in sapping parental control. Such a development would not end here and it would strike at the whole fabric of family life and family-happiness and it was for the parents to make a stand against this intolerable interference with hearts and homes.

APPEAL TO PARENTS.

Turning to the Islamia College, he appealed to the Governors to safe-guard this fortress of Islam against the attacks of insidious political intrigue. He said that the Government would be prepared to withdraw its grant-in-aid at once, if the political agitators who wished to destroy the institution would provide the necessary funds for its proper maintenance, but as long as Government gave a grant which after all was the money of the people, Government as trustees of that money must exercise some small measure of supervision and control.

He asked, however, whether that control had ben in any way irksome or obtrusive. He said that he had interfered as the Chief Commissioner with the affairs of the College on only two occasions. Once to give [illegible] them a grant of Rs. 50,000 and a second [illegible] at the request of the College Coun[illegible]ure an extension of six weeks for M[illegible]ung, the principal during a critical period.

The Chief Commissioner next touched on a certain number of questions of internal management, which had been discussed by a meeting of the Governors a few days previously and appealed to the trustees carefully to consider the report which they had made. He sketched briafly the various means of popularising the institution.

CONSTITUTION OF THE COLLEGE.

Turning to the question of the constitution of the College, he said that he was quite prepared to reduce the official element on the council if such a reduction were generally desired.

He paid a tribute to the great services rendered to the college by its honorary secretary, Nawab Sir Sahebzada Abdul Qayum.

He concluded by asking the trustees to welcome and give their fullest support to Mr. Martin, the new principal. Sir Abdul Qayum thanked the Chief Commissioner for the sympathy which he had displayed with the college and pointed out the great help which had been afforded to the institution by the official element on the council. For example, the secretary for public works who had rendered valuable assistance not only in the actual construction, but also in the maintenance of the college buildings, to the director of public instruction for the keen interest which he had always displayed to the C. M. O. for his help in medical arrangements and to the inspector general of police for the protection of the college as well as to the Deputy Commissioner for his help in many details which only a local authority can afford.

"TRAIN SHALL NOT MOVE."

PEASANT DELEGATES' SATYAGRAHA.

STATION-MASTER YIELDS.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 23.

On the 22nd instant about a thousand Kisan Congress delegates, with their President, Pandit Gaurishankar Misra, on their way back assembled at Fyzabad Station, railway carriages being insufficient. Pandit Misra requested the Stationmaster for more wagons which he promised. About 2,000 delegates waited for the promised wagons but the Stationmaster afterwards refused the wagons and asked the guard to start the train. The Panditji asked the Kisans to get down from the train and told the Stationmaster that the train would not go without them, and hundreds of Kisans laid themselves in front of the engine. The stationmaster eventually yielded and attached the necessary wagons and the Pisans left Fyzabad.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 24.

About 250 Congress delegates left Howrah this morning, by the Bengal-Nagpur Railway Mail for Nagpur. These include a few Moderate leaders, some Marwaris and a large number of Mahomedans and Nationalists. The third class Bogie carriages were reserved for the delegates from the Khilafat Committee. Amongst the important delegates were Mr. B. Chakravarti, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Roy, Dr. Bysak, Dr. Promotho Nath Banerjea, Messrs. J. Chaudhri, Nishit Sen, Jitendra Lal Banerjee, Bajpan Majibar Rahaman and Mrs. Urmila Ghose.

To-morrow Mr. B. K. Lahirie and the remaining delegates from the mofussil stations will start for Nagpur.

KISANS FOR NON-CO-OPERATION.

ONE LAKH OF PEASANTS FRESENT AT OUDH.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 24.

The first Oudh Kishen Congress took place at Ajudhia this week. One lakh of Kishens are reported to have been present. Pandit Gaurishanker Misra was elected President. A resolution was passed approving the Special Congress resolution on Non-Cooperation.

N. C. O. IN PRACTICE.

J. P'S RESIGN.

Mr. Ahamad H. S. Khatri writes to say:—

The following Justices of Peace, Bombay, namely, (1) Seth Haji Tarmohamad Haji Ibrahim Patel, (2) Haji Tarmohamad Hajiadam, (3) Mohamad Abbajoma, (4) Abubakar Abdurrahman Begmohmed and (5) Haji Ahamad Mohamad Bhimriwala have renounced their duties as J.P.'s Seth Dostmohamed Pirmohamed has resigned as Hon. Magistrate and Justice of Peace.

EXCHANGE TROUBLE.

PIECE GOODS MERCHANTS TO POSTPONE PAYMENT.

The Bombay Woollen and Fancy Cotton Piece Goods Merchants Association have passed the following resolution in their general meeting:—

In view of Government Officers' frequent assurances, as to the rate of Exchange, and, the passing of the Law in the Supreme Legislative Council fixing the rate at 2/sh. per Rupee, and, also that the rate of Guineas has been fixed at Rs. 10/ each from a certain date, and in view of the extraordinary low rate thereof at present ruling, and the consequent enormous loss, the importing merchants are put to, it is hereby resolved that the payment of Piece-Goods that may have already arrived be postponed till the Exchange rate reaches at 2/sh. per rupee, but payment be made to those Firms and Banks who allow that rate.

As to Piece-Goods ought from Japan at Yen rate, it is also hereby resolved that payment thereof be also postponed until the rate reaches at Rs. 150 per 100 yen. If, however, the Firms or Banks concerned allow this rate, payment may be made.

FIRE AT CHINCHPOOGLY.

DAMAGE ESTIMATED AT RS. 2 LAKHS

A fire broke out on Thursday night in a cotton godown at Chinchpoogly and was occupied by the Commercial Trading Company, the structure belonging to Mr. S. G. Jayakar. A high wind was blowing at the time, which permitted the fire to spread to the surrounding warehouses, where hides and other goods were stored. The fire was, however, extinguished about 10 p.m. The fire was first seen by the watchman and the Fire Brigade people were at once communicated with. There were about 7,500 bales of cotton, in addition to 2,000 bundles of the same stuff, valued at Rs. 4 lakhs. Before the fire was got under the godown was completely burned down. The cause of the fire is not known; the damage is put down at Rs. 2 lakhs.

There was sufficient water pressure, but it was supplemented with a supply from a well near-by.

Correspondence

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THE PRESENT SITUATION.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I am not an active politician though I have in my humble way read and studied politics both Indian and European. I have always kept myself in touch with the burning questions of the day.

I left India for England on the 12th February last and returned at the end of the last month. What a great change on my return do I find in the political atmosphere of India within the period of less than 10 months? Non-Violent Non-Co-Operation is in the air. Whereever you go, you breathe it. Some express it in words others in action.

Naturally it sets one thinking why so much breath is spent on what seems at the outset a destructive force. Nobody could deny that this movement lets loose destructive forces which would, if not checked in time, imperial the very existence of society and all that society values and considers dearest. All the institutions would tumble down, and there would be a general havoc and chaos a like of which India has not witnessed for several years.

What reasons have been assigned for launching this movement? That several pledges and promises given by the responsible ministers and statesmen have not been duly fulfilled; that dust is thrown on Indians and insult has been hurled at their intelligence by doling them out a half-hearted Reform Act; that no adequate appeasement has been made to their wounded self-respect and natural honour in respect of the Punjab Wrongs!

Find out even one Indian who has not real grievance in the way the Government of India, and for the matter of that the British Government, has dealt with the question of questions, the Punjab brutality and atrocities.

I was present in the House of Commons when the debate on the Punjab was being debated and it left on me, who has never dabbled in politics, an indelible mark that what passes as British Justice is these days is a sham and mockery. After this Lord Finlay's motion came before the House of Lords and the whole world is aware of the natural hue and cry raised from one end of this country to the other against the discussions that took place there and the way that motion was carried.. Almost all papers of standing in England then regretted the carrying out the motion which was more academic in its nature than of any practical working. They regretted it the more because the harmful effect it would produce in this country.

What an insult to a nation who in olden times could boast of Krishna and Arjun and in modern times Gandhi and Tilak!

The Lt.-Governor not only goes scot-free for what he did during his regime in Punjab—one who had the audacity to insult in Imperial Council the people's men like the revered Panditji but unstinted praises are showered on his head by the British Cabinet in their famous Manifesto on the Hunter Report.

In England of the present day there is a general dearth of real statesmen who would face the situatiion and deal with it as Burke, Fox and Sheridan did in their times. The statesmen of to-day are opportunists and are out for power and for holding it at all costs. When Clive and Warren Hastings, who it is generally believed, contributed so much to the building of the British Empire in India, could be impeached, why should not this Lt.-Governor be brought to book? Why not impeach him and if he is found guilty, punish him? What we want is an open unbiassed inquiry. Why is it people are inquiring that his evidence taken in Camera before the Hunter Commission is not published to the public eye?

The correspondent X. Y. Z. of the "Times of India" calls for a Political Conference and its leader on it agrees with the suggestion made by him.

I do not think any Conference under the present surcharged atmosphere can do any good. We had so many conferences and Commissions and people have naturally lost all confidence in them. They take up so much time and the very object for which they are held is frustrated by the long delay they entail. That is the way, people suspect, how the Government has scored upto now on poor credulous Indians. Pray let me know that what came out of the Hunter Commission and Montagu's visit to India?

If you want bread they give you a piece of stone. They treat you as babes. They coax and cajole you so that you may cease crying. We have long outgrown that stage. We know where we are and how we stand.

On board the ship by which I returned there were two members of I.C.S., one of whom has put in 33 years of service and is the head of an Important Province in the North of India. They had some casual discussions with me about the present political situation in India. I told them my own humble opinion that unless Government rights the Punjab wrongs, there would always lurk in the mind of Indians, a thought that the Britisher has not done justice by them. Their mentality was that General Dyer saved the situation and that the Lt.-Governor did most meritorious services. Unless things are viewed in their proper perspective how could you bring about a proper understanding?

I need not rake up old grievances—crawling order, bombing defenceless and armless subjects from aeroplane, making poor helpless students walk 16 miles a day in that hot sun of April in Punjab to answer the muster roll. Oh! it is horrifying. Where is the England of old! We who have been taught in schools and colleges and are daily fed that England always stands for right and justice, what must be our feelings when the worst atrocities are condoned.

To me the only solution of the present dead-lock is to immediately repeal that Act passed in the face of opposition of all non-official Indians—the source of all our troubles in India—I mean the Rowlatt Act which has been in practice a dead letter ever since its introduction and to bring instantly a Bill befort the House for the impeacehment of Punjab officials against whom Indians have complaints and grievances.

By this the prestige of the Government would not be at all compromised or lessened. On the contrary, many persons of my way of thinking and who firmly believe in orderly development, would be appeased and all doubts and misgivings about the British Faith would evaporate. The time is also very opportune having regard to the prospect of an early revision of the Turkish Treaty. Let the people be first convinced of the *bona fides* of the Government and every controversial problem will be easy for solution.

Indians are not vindictive but they do insist that those with whom they are called upon to sit at table for cooperation have no national blot or ugly marks to conceal. It is left to those who have such marks, how to rub them out. What we want is a clean slate and good antecedents. When you have to choose ordinary servants in office you examine their credentials. Why should it be different in case of public servants or public workers? From the Governor General down to the meanest public servants credentials must be asked for. They go a great deal to clear the air. Who ever doubts the sincerity and good meaning of Gandhi! See his past record and judge him. He is not out to grind his own axe. Even if the English Crown is offered to him as an inducement to gain one's end, he will, every one is sure, spurn at the bribe.

Peace and good will to all and peace and good will among all nations was the burden of the Prime Minister's speech at Landudino on the 8th October last given to his fellow Liberals in North Wales. I was present at the meeting and heard his apologia for Coalition Government. I had a speech, after the meeting with him and his good unassuming lady. Why I pray the same good feeling be not extended to the people of this poor country who have done yeomen service to Great Britain in the darkest days of her history by removing their real grievances and by looking at them from their angle of vision.

I want a good understanding and real *esprit de corps* existing between the rules and the ruled. I sound a warning note that if the Government treats these matters lightly, all the respect for authority and power will dwindle down and confusion worse confounded would be the lot of the people of this country. There would then be a great cause for anxiety to the Government to rule the country. A deadly disease must have a drastic remedy. Have we not in our midst something that might subvert society and shall we not rise equal to the occasion by taking drastic measures to remove it?

It is never a humiliation for the truly great to bow and admit one's mistakes and errors and rectify them in good time and we law-abiding subjects who stand inactive and wavering will all rally round and stand up to a man for "peace and good will."—Yours, etc.

DHARAMSI J. THACKER.

RAILWAY STRIKE.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I would invite the attention of the public to what is going on at the Parel Workshop at present. There are latrines with 80 seats for 8,000 persons. The municipal regulation requires one seat for 20 persons. At this rate there ought to be 400 seats instead of 80. This deficiency naturally results in men waiting for their turn to answer the call of nature But the Parel officials look upon this as loitering and have taken strong measures to check this so-called loitering. They have, I am told, taken off the roof of one set of latines. This is no doubt done to prevent the men being longer than they ought, by bringing sunlight to bear upon them. Some men were even dismissed for this so-called loitering. The result was "Aria"—down-tools. After *aria* the men came to me for advice. I advised them to resume work promising to have their case investigated, including the stabbing of two men by one, who is receiving the protection of some of the Parel officials. The men acted on my advice and went back to the workshop, but would not work. A European Inspector of Police came to me with a telephonic message from the Works Manager requesting me to call at the workshop. I did so and was referred to the Loco-Superintendent Mr. McNeil. At this interview, the Works Manager was present as also the Asistant Loco Superintendent. Mr. McNeil welcomed me with "what the devil the men mean", etc., etc. I could not help smiling and I gently reminded him that if he wanted my help, it could be had without the help of the devil. He said he did not want my help. "Very well," said I, "but why did you send for me"? He said "I did not." I showed him the message from the Police Officer on a telephonic message from the Works Manager. A calmer atmosphere followed. Upon being questioned I replied I could not understand why the men have not acted upon my advice and offered to see the men and investigate. Mr. McNeil, objected to my seeing the men on the ground that this would interfere with the internal discipline. I assured him that it would strengthen internal discipline, but he would not listen. [illegible] should speak to him outside the Works Compound. I agreed; but he lamented "This is sooner said than done." The fact is that he apprehended a big riot. The police and volunteers were ready for action at the gate. I am told there were even soldiers at hand. During the discussion two things struck me forcibly. One was the Assistant Manager's statement that he could close the shops for six weeks without difficulty as he had stock in hand for six weeks. The second thing was the feeling that the formation of the Union responsible for insubordination and want discipline, and the strong inclination of Mr McNeil to get rid of 200 men whom he regarded as ringleaders. I remonstrated that neither the existence of the Union nor the stock in store ought to influence the judgment of the officials in arriving at a decision of the grievances. This was agreed to. Mr. McNeil sent for a dozen men. Upon questioning them it was plain that the men did not believe that the message to resume work came from me. They said if I would speak to them they would resume work. Eventually Mr. McNeil consented and in five minutes I put the men in excellent temper to resume work and they agreed to do so with "McNeil Sahib ki jai." I do not think the workshop had ever before resounded with such joyful shouts. The next Monday the men went back to work. The dismissal of the fitter which caused all this trouble was taken up by me. I then discovered that the men did not resume work because they thought that the fitter would have been reinstated and the then grievances redressed if my letter to resume work was really genuine. When they saw me personally they were satisfied that the advice really came from me.

In order to facilitate matters and save trouble I advised the fitter to apologise in the hope that Mr. McNeil would reinstate him, but up to date I have received no reply from Mr. McNeil. I wrote to the Agent, but I have received no reply. Meanwhile delay is dangerous and there is every chance of real trouble. The dismissed man naturally is labouring under a grievance and he does not care what takes place.—a strike or riot. Although many will abide by my advice, a few who are friends of the fitter and partisans are likely to cause trouble, the magnitude of which cannot now be anticipated with confidence. There's a case for tact and diplomacy; but I find none. It is deporable that vast interests are entrusted to men who do not seem to appreciate the value of tact to the expendiency of "give and take". And yet these are the sort of men who resent "outsiders" in the hope that "insiders" will be lambs like of old. Those days are gone. These men are more likely to prove tigers than lambs without the restraining influence of outsiders. I have sent reminders to Parel as well as to the Agent. Let us wait and see how long they take to reply.

There is one grievance, which is a scandal to the authorities. It appears that the Workshops are closed for over 12 days during Christmas Season. This is manifestly for the benefit of European officials who got sporting or dancing or otherwise enjoying themselves. The men lose so many days' wages. They ask that the Workshops should not be closed except on Christmas Day and New Year Day. I believe this is the case in England, why should it not be so in Bombay where Hindus and Moslems do not want the holidays? Of course, if this were leave on full pay they would be glad. In fact they are asking for one month's leave every year. They now get only 15 days which is really absorbed by sickness. They seldom enjoy 15 days at one stretch. If a month be given, the Christmas holiday may be given as part of the month's leave. I trust wiser counsels will yet prevail at Parel and the Agency.—Yours, etc..

JOSEPH BAPTISTA.

Matharpacady, Dec. 23.

BOMMIDI TRAGEDY.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—The railway accident which took place at Bommidi on the morning of the 14th December at about 1-45 a.m. on account of collision between a Down Goods train and Down Mail (Mettupoliem) train, struck us with horror.

The railway message runs that a carriage has been telescoped and the locomotive capsized, and passengers seriously hurt; and later information was brought that many have been killed. and several injured seriously, also information that many of the injured and the killed were left in the burning carriages unremoved.

It has been reported officially by the railway department that only 30 passengers were killed and 34 injured, a number which they only know. We do not know how the railway authorities came to know or to account that there are 30 deaths and not more: when three of the carriages were smashed to pieces and bits thrown there of are burning and as such there should have been more than two-hundred deaths estimate by the eye-witnesses and railway guards who took the special and relief trains. The passengers are left in injured condition in the burning carriages, how horrible it is even to think of, alive men burning: when there was no immediate medical aid nor aid of any kind later or sooner by the railway authority. The railway company has no ambulance train to procure at times of such accidents. The number of passengers who were burnt are not taken into account, perhaps the railway official report might be denoting the number killed and injured that were thrown out at the time of the first shock and collision as a whole. Many have been injured very seriously, legs of many, heads of many, hands of many have been shattered to pieces brains have come off from their skulls. About hundred injured were removed to the Tirupatur Hospital and only ten we think will survive of that lot. These were not taken as number injured or killed or died on the way.

It is rumoured that about 550 passengers got in at Madras in that train including all class of passengers.

The Government railway inspectors will we hope, cause a searching enquiry into the matter to reveal out true facts.—Yours, etc.

T. M. FAROZUDDIN,
Eye-witness,
and
ABDUL RAHIMAN,
SALEM.

PRESERVATION OF COWS.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle".

Sir,—In your issue of the 9th instant I have read with the greatest interest a letter from "Humanatarian" headed "Where is the Cow Protection Co." After reading the said letter I enquired of Mr. Kanshi Ram Khosla, who happens to be in Karachi at present in connection with the Branch of the Industrial and Exchange Bank of India Ltd., as to what has become of his proposed "Krishna Cowshalla" about which we read some time back and which was also mentioned in the Bombay Legislative Council. Mr. Khosla informs me that the letters were kindly published by all the leading Indian papers in India and his scheme met with a great response from Mardan to Rameshwaram and Dwarka to Jagannath so much so that a huge amount of capital was promised to be subscribed. He had a number of interviews with Mr. Shiv Ram Das who is the chief promoter of the proposed "Western India Catale Preserving Co. Ltd." As the money market was tight and the sympathisers being common for both the companies he did not like to run his company side by side though he was convinced that two companies were in no way too many and so he decided to let the "Western India" take the lead. His scheme he informs me, is complete and if there is any delay in the floatation of "Western India," he will be too glad to launch his company and he has already promised he will not take any rumeneration or commission from the company until and unless the company makes a profit of at least 6 per cent. Mr. Khosla says that he will be in Bombay by the 17th instant and will try to see Mr. Shivram Das on the subject. His address at Bombay is c/o. The Industrial and Exchange Bank of India, Post Box No. 22.—Yours, etc.

HARSHAD ROY MEHTA.

Bunder Road Karachi,
Dec. 13.

MALICIOUS FABRICATIONS.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—The "Pioneer" has begun to indulge in what may be called malicious fabrications In its issue of the 17th instant it has: "Mr. Mohamed Ali promised the Aligarh students a crore of rupees." This promise of a crore has, times without number, been attributed to Moulana Shaukat Ali in the columns of the "Pioneer" and its moderate lieutenant, the "Leader." As an evidence of the Persian proverb that liars have short memories and thanks to the convinience of belonging to that class, the "Pioneer" now shifts the liability on to Mr. Mohamed Ali's shoulders. We wonder if Mahatmaji is going to be its next choice!

As one of those present in the meeting in which Moulana Shaukat Ali is alleged to have made the promise, I may tell you what were his exact words. Questioned as to how the College would run if the Government aid were refused, the Moulana replied "If you do so in pursuance of the injunctions of Shariat and of the Nation's mandate, it will not grudge you its help and will give you a crore and in fact several crores of rupees." Some ambitious follower of the cult of narrow literalism on the "Pioneer's staff wanted to pose as the discoverer of this "myth of Shaukat Ali's crores." Literary ambition does some time run mad.

In the same editorial note, the "Pioneer" refers to India as the "land of promises." Certainly it is; and one may add "of their breach" as well. The pledges given by Mr. Lloyd George and the Government of Great Britain to Indian Mussalmans and then broken lie scattered all over India.—Yours, etc..

BASHIR MOHAMMED KHAN.

Aligarh, December, 18.

MAHOMEDAN EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE.

(Associated Press.)

ALIGARH, Dec. 23.

The Central Standing Committee of the All-India Mahomedan Educational Conference has elected the Hon. Mr. Haroon Jafar as the president of the next sessions of the Conference, which will be held at Amraoti on the 27th, 28th and 29th December

Delegates from Aligarh will leave for Amraoti on the afternoon of the 24th instant and will reach there on the 26th December.

The first batch of the delegates to the Indian National Congress from Bengal, about 200 in number, left Calcutta on Thursday. The majority of them are known to be advocates of Mr. Gandhi's programme of Non-Cooperation.

A meeting of the Oswal Mahasabha will be held on December 30th. The constitution of the Sabha, communal reform and other subjects concerning the welfare of community will be discussed. All Oswals are cordially invited to attend.

TRAVANCORE MUSLIMS.

THEIR POLITICAL GRIEVANCES.

A Muslim organ the *Kerala Chandrika* of Travancore writes:

We are sorry to remark that the Government have studiously refused to consider the request from various Muslim centres of the State for more liberal representation in the S. M. P. Assembly. It has been a special theme with Muslim publicists to dilate on the lack of Muslim representation either in representative Assemblies or Public Service. There are no Governors, no bigwigs not even a Bachelor of Laws among Muslims of Travancore to plead for this neglected community. Muslims are steeped in ignorance. They have feelings and grievances which they are not allowed to voice forth. Mr. T. Raghaviah knows very well how our compatriots in British India are treated by that Government. A careful scrutiny of the electoral roll will convince the Durbar that Muslim voters are rare. Even if there are very many muslim voters in a particular locality communal jealousies will outbeat their legitimate aspirations. The system of nomination is mainly intended to help those who are back-ward and help-less. How have the Government helped the community?

LACK OF REPRESENTATION.

This year only four Muslim candidates are nominated. There are important Muhammadan centres such as Quilon, Pandalam, Thodupuzha, Kottar, Changanassery which ought not to have been left unrepresented if the Government cared to know the grievances and wants of the community. We are reliably informed that Muslims from various centres petitioned the Government to grant their lawful prayer. Some years back Government used to nominate 6 Muslim members. But now their number is reduced to four. We are at a loss to understand what actuated the Government to unsympathetically curtail the number of nominated candidates and to turn a deaf ear to the Muslim request. Muslims richly deserve special consideration from the Government. With regard to education they are very low in the scale of communities. If Muslims were as enlightened as Christians and Ezhavas they would not have begged the State for nomination. We request the Government that if they cannot consistently with their policy, nominate some Muslim members, they should be kind enough to form communal electorates for Muslims at important centres.

CONGRESS CONTITUTION.

SOME SUGGESTIONS.

S. V. G. (Amraoti) has sent to us a draft constitution of the Indian National Congress. It being too long for publication, we give below a few lines explaining the principal changes suggested by him.

S. V. G. recognises that a change in the Creed of the Congress is essential to keep the Congress in close touch with the political thought of the country. It must be made clear, he says, British control or connection cannot be a condition precedent of our Swarajya. We must however, express, in as clear terms as possible, our desire to remain a componeat part of the Imperial Commonwealth only on terms of absolute equality with the other parts, in all matters, Imperial or International. Neither British connection nor severance from Britain should be our ideal.

The second great change that he wishes to make is in the establishment of a House of Representatives comprising representatives from every district. It should take the place of the Subjects Committee as well as the All-India Congress Committee. Our deliberations and resolutions will get due weight when our Committees are fully representatives of the District. In fact, time has come when we must make the district the unit of organization.

This would also obviate the necessity of limiting the number of delegates to the general Congress. There is, S. V. G. admits, some force in the contention that for some time to come the Congress cannot afford to dispense with its demonstrative function. The authority of the Congress is certainly mainly due to the weight of its numbers.

The other changes he suggests are really minor ones, though not insignificant. The formation of an Executive Council for the publication of a Congress journal; Division of the country on a linguistic basis, the necessity of holding District Conferences, are all changes which, he submits, will go a long way in creatong and strengthening public opinion.

We trust S. V. G. will submit his draft to the Congress, which should give the matter its earnest consideration.

KARACHI FREIGHT MARKET

(Associated Press.)

KARACHI, Dec. 23.

The Karachi freight market tendency is yet lower. Freight rates of our market is lifeless and Bombay seems in a like plight. There is now a very wide margin of difference between Indian and European markets in practically all the produce; so a fresh business is impossible at this moment and the cargo is so scarce that any steamer in ready or near positions that are not fully booked up are likely to fare very badly. They have great difficulty in completing. The bookings reported this week total some 3,500 tons including Hull at 35 shillings, Antwerp at 36 shillings and 3 pence, Hamburg at 45 for January and Genoa at 50 for February shipment seeds cotton basis.

CALCUTTA HIGH COURT.

BENGAL CHAMBER SUGGESTS ADDITIONAL JUDGES.

(Associated Press.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 23.

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce has recently addressed a letter to the Chief Justice of Bengal and other judges of the High Court on the question of delays now taking place in the disposal of suits on the Original Side. The Chamber understands that several hundreds of commercial suits, some of which were instituted in 1917, are on the prospective list awaiting disposal. The Chamber also understands that the volume of work is so heavy that it is impossible for the courts, as at present constituted, to cope with it satisfactorily. The Chamber suggests to constitute additional original side courts in order that relief may be promptly afforded. The Chamber proposes that there should be introduced a summary procedure in suits for the recovery of debts in recent years. There has been an increase in the applications to set aside award, made by the arbitrators in cases where the parties took advantage of the Indian Arbitration Act. The Chamber suggests the appointment of an additional judge to deal with these applications.

BANGALORE VAIZ CEREMONY CASE.

EVIDENCE OF THE KAZI.

(Associated Press.)

BANGALORE, Dec. 23.

The Sukhajee of the Juma Masjid, one of the respondents, gave evidence in connection with the enquiry held by Mr. T. J. Tasker, District Magistrate, regarding the prohibition of the ceremony in the mosque.

The examination of the Kaji took place at his residence, as he could not attend the Court, owing to illness. He deposed that he had prohibited the performing of the "Vaiz" ceremony as the petitioner had invited Khan Bahadur Haji Ismail Sait and Haji Ali Mohamad Sait, both of whom considered "Gwani Mujrims" and as the former had never resigned his title and the latter did not withdraw his son from the St. Joseph's College in persuance of a resolution of the Khilafat meeting. The answers elicited in the cross-examination related, among others, to a visit of the deputation to Khan Bahadur Haji Ismail Sait, requesting him to give up the title.

DIRECTORS OF INDUSTRIES.

CONFERENCE IN INDORE.

(Associated Press.)

INDORE, Dec. 23.

The first meeting of the Conference of the Directors of Industries and similar officers in Indian States held its sittings in the Edward Hall, Indore, on the 20th, 21st and 22nd instant. Representatives of different States were present, including Sir Earnest Law of the Government of India. The States of Baroda, Bikaner and Kapurthala had promised to come, but owing to some unavoidable circumstances they were unable to attend. Besides, the States of Kashmere, Mysore, Travancore expressed their approval to the holding of the Conference. The business of the Conference was varied with visits to the industrial suburbs of the city, including the cotton mills, the brush factory, the silk industry institute, the shymal and glass works at Rao. The time of the Conference was mostly taken up by the considerations of the aims, objects and the machinery of the Conference. It was agreed that the meetings will be informal and may be held at least annually at the capitals of different States by turns. The object of the Conference would be the interchange of ideas as regards the industrial activities in the States. It was recognised that such a Conference would be of a great advantage. During the course of the sessions, experiences in different States were related, discussed and many new ideas were suggested.

In the end, His Highness the Maharaja Holkar addressed the delegates and the Prime Minister was at home to them.

FRONTIER NEWS.

(Associated Press.)

DELHI, Dec. 23.

A communique says:—

The Wana Column arrived at Karab Kot from Wana on the 18th December. Some sniping opposition was encountered from the tribesmen estimated at from 300 to 500 strong. Our casualties were 4 Indians and other ranks wounded. The tribesmen are known to have suffered some casualties but the numbers are not yet known. On the arrival of our troops at Karab Kot the Afghan Mullah Haji Razik evacuated his position near Michan Baba and withdrew to the Dhana Plain west of Wana. The majority of his following is now reported to have dispersed.

DELHI, Dec. 23.

A communiqué says:—

On the 20th December the Wana Wazirs brought in a further instalment of 25 rifles. The total number of rifles and fines received from the tribe up to-date are Government rifles 64, tribal rifles 79, fine Rs. 24,765. Some of the hostile sections backed by the Haji are still making little or no effort to collect the rifles and this is increasing the difficulties of the friendly sections, who are anxious to complete the settlement as soon as possible. The Wana column arrived at Wana on the 22nd without opposition. Haji Abdur Razik with his remaining followers has retired to Larkhwa, west of Wana, near the Afghan border. The Zhob column has re-occupied the old militia posts at Mir Ali Khel and Moghal Kot without incident.

COTTON EXPORTS.

GREAT INCREASE LAST MONTH.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22.

According to the department of Statistics, Indian exports of cotton last month were 21,630 tons or 7,440 tons above the exports of the previous month. Exports in November of last year were 31.540 tons. Exports during the eight months ending November 1920 were 2,35,845 tons, as compared with 2,17,274 tons in the corresponding period of previous year. Exports to Japan for the eight months, ending November 1920, were 99,470 tons, as compared with 1,48,642 tons in the corresponding period of the previous year.

NON-COOPERATION IN BEHAR

NATIONAL COLLEGE AT PATNA.

(Associated Press.)

PATNA, Dec. 23.

In furtherance of the Non-Cooperation movement a national college is to be established at Patna with Mr. Rajendra Prasad, M.A., as Principal. The staff consists of more or less honorary workers, who have either suspended practice or resigned professorship in aided colleges.

MADRAS SHOOTING TRAGEDY

LIBERAL LEAGUE'S PROTEST.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

MADRAS, Dec. 23.

The Executive Committee of the Madras Liberal League at a meeting passed the resolutions expressing regret at the death of two innocent boys and serious injury to many caused by the police shooting at Perambur on the 9th instant, and urging the appointment of an impartial committee of officials and non-officials to enquire into the circumstances connected with the incident. The League has also entered a strong protest against the increase in the number of the Executive Councillors from two to four in the major provinces for the administration of reserved subjects, as being unjustifiable, involving extravagance of public money and calculated to strengthen bureaucratic element.

WANTED—AN INDIAN BAR.

ALLAHABAD VAKILS ASSOCIATION'S RESOLUTION.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 23.

The Allahabad High Court Vakils' Association has passed resolutions asking that an Indian Bar be established and all the distinctions between barristers and vakils be removed and an incorporated body be formed by an act of legislature to regulate legal education and rules of discipline and a sub-committee should prepare a representation on the subject and circulate it to other associations in India and then to convene a conference during the Easter and submit it to the Viceroy.

CASE AGAINST KHILAFAT WORKERS

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

A correspondent wires from Karnal that a case is proceeding in the Magistrate's Court at Karnal, under section 107 Criminal Procedure Code, against seventeen Panipat men, in connection with the Khilafat agitation.

Lok. Tilak's Marble Busts
MADE TO ORDER.

RS! 2500.

Mr. Wagh has now placed a small statue of LOK. on the Congress platform for the inspection of the TILAK-MEMORIAL COMMITTEES. He also intends shortly sending there a marble bust of LOK. for the same purpose.

Life-size marble and bronze busts, and statues of 2½ ft. high in bronze and marble, of Lok. Tilak, Mahatma Gandhi, Poet Rabindranath Tagore, Surendranath Banerjea, and Mrs. Besant, all of whom gave Mr. Wagh special sittings, will be available at Rs. 2,500 each, at his Premier sculpture studio.

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BOYCOTT OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS.

UNCONDITIONAL AND UNQUALIFIED.

A meeting of the Reception Committee was held in the Town Hall on Sunday last to consider the following resolution submitted by the Drafting Committee and moved by the President of the said Committee, Mr. Dharmadhikari.

"In view of the resolution passed by the Calcutta Congress calling upon students in general to withdraw from the Government, and Government aided colleges; and (b) In view of the fact that the present system of Education is defective, inadequate, and no conducive to proper development of national spirit being entirely controlled by th foreign Government the conference is of opinion that the college students should join national institutions as soon as they are started. The conference is of further opinion that the problem of national Education being of the utmost national importance should be immediately taken in hand by national leaders and proper provision be made for the Education of all students in India. Further the conference records its firm and deliberate opinion that mere withdrawal is not likely to be of any permanent and real benefit to the Motherland, as Education though defective etc. is better than no Education.

(ii) No definite programme of National Work.

(iii) Lack of higher Education.

(iv) dearth of colleges.

Then the following counter resolution moved by Mr. Ghorpade was also put before the meeting.

"In view of the nation's call and in consonance with the policy of Non-Cooperation with the Government as expressed in the resolution of the Calcutta Congress this All-India College Students' conference as in duty bound after deliberate consideration whole-heartedly supports the boycott of Government and Government aided colleges and calls upon the college students of India to respond to it. (a) The Boycott of colleges must be unconditional and unqualified. (b) This conference looks to national leaders to bring into existence national institutions for the benefit of those students Non-Cooperators who wish to continue their education, technical institutions should be established to teach an independent calling to maintain himself and his family."

After speeches were over for and against both these resolutions they put to vote (by ballot) and Mr. Ghorpade's resolution of unconditional and unqualified boycott of colleges and schools was declared passed by an overwhelming majority of 106 votes (131 voting for: 25 against).

ALIGARH NEWS.

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY STUDENTS TO NAGPUR.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

ALIGARH, Dec. 23.

The Aligarh College will remain open during the Christmas week. Four hundred and fifty students have already joined the College and admission cards have been sent to 200 other students, who are expected to join in the first week of January, 1921.

Maulana Mohamad Ali with 50 students of the National University left Aligarh on the 21st instant for Nagpur. The Private Secretary of Dr. Ansary is now in charge of the National University.

INDIAN NEWS IN BRIEF.

Mr. Syed Mohamed Hasan Bilgrami, Accountant General, H. E. H. the Nizam's Government, was "At Home" on the 21st December, at the Nizam's Club to meet the Hon. Mr. Nawab Mir Asad Ali Khan Bahadur.

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Mr. H. D. Cornish, Bar-at-Law, has been appointed Administrator General and Official Trustee, Madras, with effect from the 28th instant, in place of Mr. D. Chamier, who is proceeding to England.

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Dr. Ansari, President-elect of the Muslim League, left Delhi for Nagpur on Wednesday night.

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It is understood that Mr. Surendra Nath Bannerjee will be one of the Ministers in Bengal.

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It is now authoritatively stated that Mr. M. S. D. Butler has been selected for the Presidentship of the New Punjab Legislative Council, and not for the Secretaryship, as was understood a few days back.

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A Provincial Durbar will be held by the Lieutenant Governor of the Punjab in the University Hall, Lahore, on the 8th January 1921.

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The Hon. Dr. Tej Bahadur Sapru has taken over the duties of the member of the Viceroy's Executive Council *vice* the Hon. Sir George Lowndes.

Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Willingdon have left for Ootacamund on a short visit, and will return to Madras on the 24th instant.

Pandit Nekiram Sharma of Delhi who arrived at Karachi on Dec. 18th visited Tilakalya National School recently started at 3 p.m. Principal Lalchand Conducted him to the School premises, where the staff and students enthusiastically received him. The Panditji addressing students declared Government owned and aided schools to be worse than jails for the latter held in bondage only the body while the former extended the captivity to the soul also.

ALL-INDIA RAILWAY CONFERENCE.

AN APPEAL TO RAILWAYMEN.

Mr. K. R. Sabhapathy, Vice-President, O. and R. Railway Employees' Association, writes—

The O. and R. Railway authorities have at last come to the rescue of their employees with the revision of salary scheme. In fact the revision had already been given effect to in some of the more fortunate branches, but some department have got their own red tapeism and it would not have been quite extraordinary if the authorities entirely lost sight of the establishment of some departments But, somehow, they could not pass it over while the employees could not forget their belly and fortunate are they the "Code remembered" and here they are with the much prayed and such longed for revision of salary scheme.

Less percentage for less-paid men and more percentage for more-paid man is the principle underlying the whole scheme I mean with reference to the O. and R. Railway, for, I can't any for other railways. As for menials such as peons, etc., they don't require anything as they are really a contented set of people and they have fully realised that contentment in the secret of happiness.

It is not a pity, that this Railway which is a State-owned one, should not have realised especially after the numerous examples in the various sister departments of the Government and their respective liberal treatments, the hardships of poorly-paid individuals in their struggle for their existence and not come to their rescue in a more liberal and praiseworthy manner? A clerk who has given entire satisfaction for a number of years is examined for the purpose of testing his ability in Indian history just in some out of place corner, and if the clerk fails to answer satisfactorily his services are dispensed with —if successful gets his increase according to the revision. Thus his ability is tested after 20 years of faithful service! This is how one could waste best part of his life for an ungrateful master.

A HUMBUG.

Along with these interludes some departments of the Railway are not immune to official favouritism which plays its usual havoc with the stomach of its opponents. Simultaneous with the increase of pay, there is a rumour of reduction of establishment which means the extra expenditure incurred should adjust of its own accord with the outlay on this scheme and what do you railwaymen think of the wholesale revision of salary which is nothing but Humbug.

It is for you my brethren, who got stone for bread as cited above I appeal with a prayer to Almighty to grant you sufficient strength—to brave the situation with a heroic heart and asert your manliness by proving true to your brethren in their adversities and opportunities.

On the one hand disheartened and disswayed we watch with alarm the cost of diving rise higher and higher each month with no prospect of corresponding increase in our salary, rack our brains to find out means to improve our situation; on the other hand the employers are out to see that we are killed by every means and some of the employees help them to this end. There are occasions when employees reported against their own brethren and got them deprived of their services and pay—just in order to benefit themselves with an increase of Rs. 5 or Rs. 10. After some time these very favourites incur the displeasure of their officers and are themselves driven out. I say this is one of the main cause why we are in this degraded state and our bullying losses exploited and are exploiting us through this tactics of dividing us.

RIGHT TO LIVE DECENT LIFE.

Now is the time for you to think in all seriousness and decide—whether you are satisfied with your present lot or wish to improve it for the better? Whether you are content with your individual happiness with a selfish end or that of your less fortunate brethren who know not as to what a full-time meals is? Whether to your shame and disgrace wish to backbite against your own brethren or to your credit and honour and to that of your future generation wish to advocate the good of others? Whether you wish to hear the indecent language of some of your officers or wish to have the blessings of your fortunate brethren? Think of your present troubles—your privilege, leave concession which is left to the discretion of your officers and which is not granted even in cases where you may have your dearest and nearest dying —your pass rules will not permit you to go by mail train even though you may be sick and your wife may be dying at a distance of 2,000 miles; your casual leave which is not granted unless and until you produce a medical certificate. Your children toiling in illiterary for want of funds to educate them; you children dying at a young age for want of clothing and proper nourishment; your being subject to dismissal without any reason and without any consideration to your long and faithful service; and any whether concerted action is necessary on your part or not. There are cases where officials used and are using such foul language which would curdle one's blood but the poor victims are important and have got to be put up with it. Oh! my brethren, now is the time for you to drive out that devillish cowardice from your society. Gird your loins and say at the top of your voice that you are the sole power to run the administration of the Railway—without you the Railway cannot run—and as such you have a right to live a life of decency.

A GOD SEND TO RAILWAYMEN.

The intended All-India Railway Conference is a God-send and I appeal to you in the name of everything that is Dwine—to send your delegates not in hundreds, but in thousands, so that you can bring happiness not only to your present generation, but also to future generation.

ASSAULT ON TENANTS.

EXEMPLARY PUNISHMENT TO LANDLORD AND HIS SERVANTS.

Before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, at the Esplanade Police Court, on Friday, a landlord named Pritamdas Trikamdas and two Pathans, Sadat Khan and Lal Khan, were charged with assaulting Kedarnath Mahabir and Matafer Mahabir, two Bhaya brothers, living in the house of the first accused.

It appeared that the two complainants had been living in the first accused's house for a long time on a monthly rental of Re. 1. The first accused wanted them to vacate the floor of the house, but they refused. On the 15th of October, accused No. 2 who was in the service of the first accused, put his bedstead near the complainants' room which was locked. When the second complainant returned to his room at night, the Pathan told him that his master had instructed him not to allow them to open the room. But the second complainant without minding the Pathan's order entered the room. The next morning when he again came to the room, the first accused ordered the Pathan to assault him and the latter struck him (second complainant) with a stick and pushed him out. The other Pathan also came up and then they both entered the complainants' room, assaulted the second complainant and turned him also out.

All the accused were convicted. His Worship observed that the offence of the accused No. 1, called for an exemplary punishment as it was a case of a landlord endeavouring to override the beneficial provisions of the Rent Act by taking the law into his own hands. Accused Nos. 2 and 3 were only made a cat's-paw of the first accused, but the offence they committed was serious.

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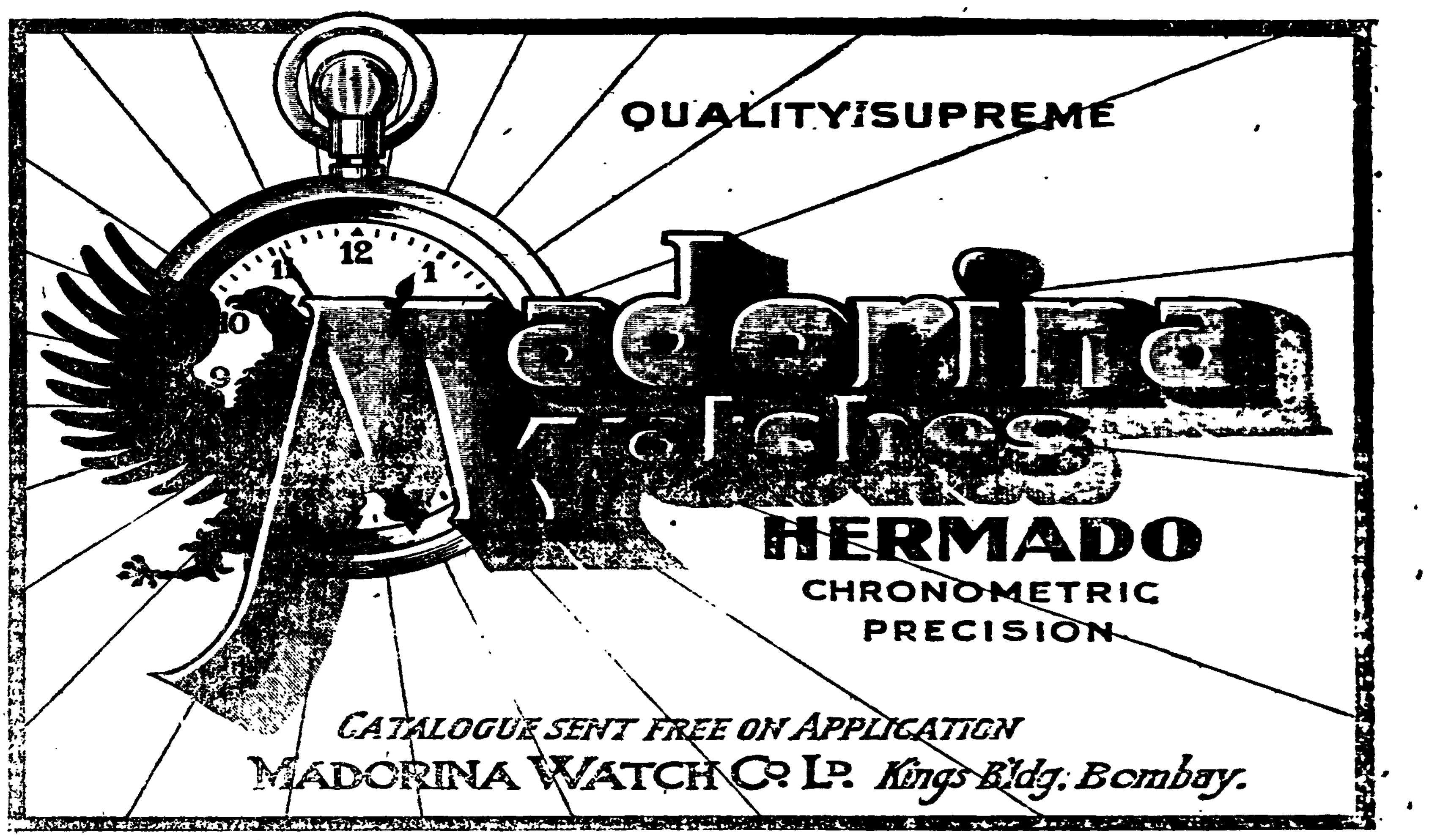
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HIS MESSAGE TO YOUNG INDIA.

AN INTERVIEW IN PONDICHERRY.

In a big grey mansion like house in the decaying town of Pondicherry lives Aurobindo Ghose, once the flaming fire-brand of India, but now a lonely, solitary recluse, a yogin! The ostentatious building is simple within, like the dweller himself, whose name, though so well known, is so unostentatious and the house, in fact, is very Indian from the way in which it is kept. And it was a great surprise to us, who went to see him first, that one who lived for over 14 years in Europe and that in the first years of his life, could live now amidst such surroundings.

We were very well received and shown in to the room of the Arya office. The recent heavy rains had caused the collapse of the big houses in the neighbourhood, built in the long-past days of French glory, and many more too were threatening to fall in. And these neighbours and friends had sought refuge into his house and were living there. We had our morning "Chota" and were told that we could see "Babu" at 10-30. But fate had ruled differently, and the "Babu" was not to be kept out of our gaze so long. For just as we were speaking there passed before us, a lean yet sprightly man, very quiet, with his long hair flowing over his back and with a beard slight though long, clad in one simple white cloth, half of it tied round his loins and the other half drawn over his body. From the photographs that we had seen before, we could infer that this was Auro bindo Ghose, for he was so plain, so very plain, that a stranger could never know him at first sight to be the famous man that he is, except for the long hair and the beard which would betray him.

And when half-past ten came we were taken upstairs and led to a plain big wooden table, with a common table-cloth over it, and a few old wooden chairs around. And then came Aurobindo Ghose to meet us there, walking out of his room.

The usual greetings and enquiries about the weather and the season all followed, and he had nothing more to talk. And there was a great silence between us. The fact is, to Aurobindo Ghose this world is not the normal sphere of existence; his life here is so unconscious. But he is living, so vigorously living, on another plane and his wonderful mind is ever virile. You have only to gaze at his eyes to understand how like a dream this world is to him, and there is not much wonder then, if he entirely forgets all things here, and only wakes to them now and again. Again, we had a little superficial talk and he passed into silence again.

But that silence was wondrous to experience. Aurobindo Ghose is not a conversationalist, and his expression is more a device to conceal than to reveal. For, through continual meditation, he has made his being one with some universal secret and exists for ever there. And if you want to get into the heart of Aurobindo Ghose, it is only through his silence that you could do it. For his writings and speeches, wonderful as they are, can never take you to the heart of the man. His silence was wonderful. The dim vague eyes, blind to all sentient things, with their incomprehensive look, would suddenly grow bright, and within their pupils there would suddenly come a great play of light, they would suddenly grow brilliant and beautiful. Was he thinking. thinking, all the time and trying to wrest from the thoughts, the secret of thought itself and did his eyes glow with the discovery of some new secret, the beauty of some new truth?

However, my wonder was: Could this philosopher be a poet and write the beautiful poems of Ahana? How could this hard-thinking man who seemed to go to every thing with the big sledge-hammer of his brain, see the soft ripple of the Universe, its glowing lights, and sing in mirthful glee? Just as I was thinking of this, talking of something, he gave such a delightful smile and his voice became suddenly melodious. It is when he smiles that you know the poet in him; it is when he smiles that you see the human, the joyous, the buoyant Aurobindo Ghose, not the cold philosopher that he usually is.

We had many talks, and every time he showed himself more anxious to listen than to talk. In this, as in many other things, he is very much Indian, for he conceals the wealth of his knowledge in his great simplicity. Of course, we talked of politics too, but then I do not know whether he would like this talk to be published. He seemed to think, however, that the present political inclinations in India were entirely unworthy of her, and as to the immediate future, to our question whether it was only chaos and confusion, with great regret he replied in the affirmative, and added: "it can only be so." It is very difficult to get him to speak for any length of time. Just before we departed, I turned and asked him: "what is your message to Young India?" "But first young India must be prepared to receive my message" he said smilingly. 'There are a thousand messages abroad now, all unheeded, what is the use of adding one more?" But he halted and after a moment's thought, added: "To put it briefly my message to young India will be: withdraw yourselves. Realise your own inner selves and get into the heart of your country and understand what she stands for. Strive for it, work for it, unceasingly, strong in your faith in that and all outer things will follow. . . . . Or, you will lose your souls and your country will never rise." Inspiring words, which, as he himself pointed out, if addressed to the Young India of the present day, he would be hooted as insane and unpatriotic, and when my friends said to him, "India has need of you, she wants you," he shook his head in doubt and said: "I do not know. I think India asks for the Aurobindo Ghose of 12 years ago. India does not know of the Aurobindo Ghose of today, I have changed since then." He continued: "In my first days of work, I had to fight against the idealisation of the West and point out that India was worth living for and the Indians had great things in themselves. Now, I am afraid, my work is just the opposite, I will have to fight against deifying our own faults and egoistically idealising ourselves."

Aurobindo Ghose has a life-work of his own, which is just commencing. His dream is to mould the different cultures of Asia into a single world-culture, and to form, of her multitudinous nationalities, a single federation. The cultural unity of Asia will be, in his opinion, the motor of the coming civilisation—that is his big ideal. "The future lies with Asia," he said "She will be the Saviour of Europe and the world"—this almost in a prophetic tone.

Aurobindo Ghose is no idolator of the past. "The past is dead," he said. "We cannot cling to corpses. It is the future that we have to build. And of this future he has a very definite conception. The world, according to him, is going to be the world of the Superman. The Superman is the one who brings his consciousness into harmony with the divine consciousness. "The Yoga of the past," he said, "was to make the man a receptacle fit to hold the great power that descends from above, but the world has progressed now and we are not going to be still there; we have moved further still and the Yoga of the future is for the Supermen to try to raise the collective world into the haven of the ideal." That is his Superman and a glorious ideal. when in the world there will be what his co-worker, Paul Richard, called. "The democracy of the gods"; but then our gods are very few, rather the false gods are so many that very rarely the true gods come to us.—R. R.—(NEW INDIA.)

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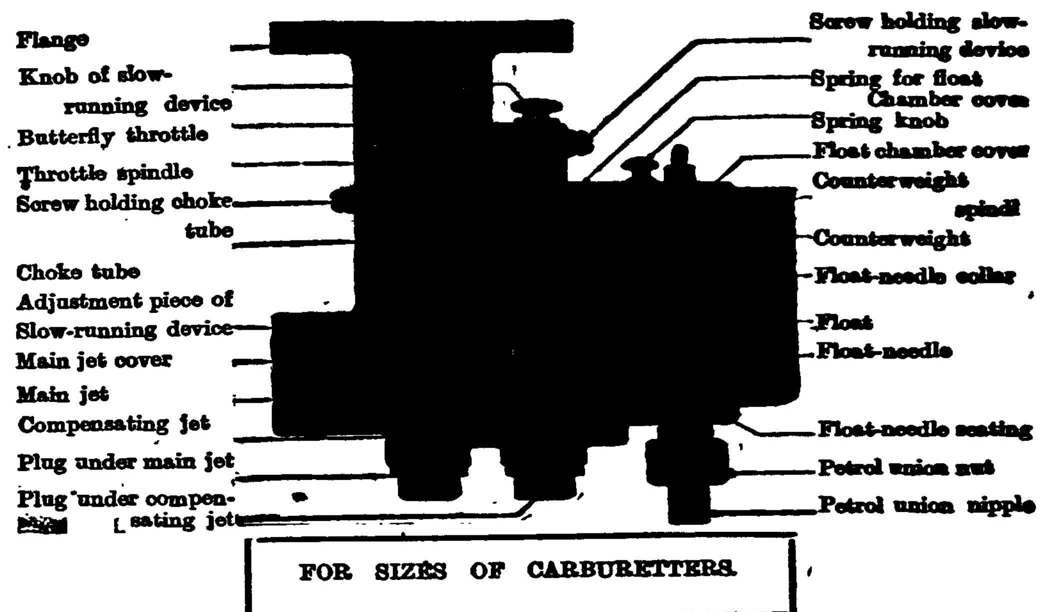

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KATHIAWAR LETTER.

THE POLITICAL CONFERENCE.

WHO SHOULD PRESIDE ?

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

KATHIAWAD, Dec. 16.

I take a bit long time to be awakened from my sleep; but, since I wrote to you last, so much has happened deserving immediate attention in the province, that I can scarcely be forgiven for my lethargy.

KATHIAWAD SABHA.

This body, the only or rather the premier political institution of the province consisting mostly of the shrewd and tactful lawyers, took such a plucky strategic move of calling in their annual gathering in the last month and then giving it the form of a miniature political conference, that much of the wind has been taken out of the sails of Mr. Mansukhlal's ship, the Kathiawad Political Conference. Mr. Shukal, the President, after the style of a Conference president, delivered an admirable speech, which must be acknowledged by friends and foes alike to be a bold, lucid and thoughtful pronouncement over the questions of our little province, worthy of the cause the Kathiawad Sabha has taken in hand, worthy as well of him, who stands out in Kathiawad to-day as one sincere, talented worker with influence and affluence at his back. Many of the misapprehensions and misrepresentations, are silenced by the presidential performance, and the Sabha's aim of service to the land, are brought out in prominence, more than ever.

The one central theme of interest in the Sabha's debates, was Mr. Chudgar's resolution, to federate all the States of Kathiawad, in matters of Law and Justice for the present, with an aim to develop the same in future, in other common departments of various States. Reforms, on the line of the responsibility of the States to the people, are such a great puzzle, that unless and until some such solution like a federation for certain common purposes is not found out, the whole question must hang fire for a considerable time to come. Hence it is, that Mr. Chudgar's scheme has set many a mind thinking, and it is hoped that he would find to me to develop his idea and present it to the public and to the States in a suitable form.

ROYALISTS' CONFERENCE.

The deliberations and the eventual decisions in the preliminary meeting of the Kathiawad Political Conference have unnerved not a few, among whom can be counted the best of the active sympathisers of the movement. It is out of no disrespect to Mr. Mansukhlal, to whom all gratitude and honour of the province are due for his selfless toils during the last year and before whose love of the land and the devotional zeal for its cause, one is bound to take off his hat in all humility, that the following is being penned—it is to decline to be duped, as Mr. Mansukhlal appears to have been, by the Vedic philosophies of the one or the tactical necessities of the other. Leaving aside, the now famous four limitations of Mr. Mansukhlal, which he said, were a condition precedent to the holding of a Conference, the aims and the constitution of the Conference as outlined in its preliminary meeting, cannot be allowed to pass without a note of protest. The idea of the Conference is born of the miseries and grievances of the people of the States. It was to raise them—to stiffen their backs, to strengthen their hands—that the idea received the universal support of the whole province. Had it even been told in so many words that the Conference aimed at strengthening these States, which in the ordinary acceptance of the sense, would mean, to strengthen the States in their present condition, I am afraid, not a finger would have been lifted to support the cause nor a syllable uttered to popularize the movement. The aim of the Conference, as now formed, is not to get the Government responsible to the people, nor is it to democratize the present system of autocracies prevailing in the States, but it is to strengthen the institution of these States, as if these States ever stood in need of the strength of the people, ever attempted to develop it even for their own gain. Verily, one may rightly cry out in agony: "The cat is out of the bag." Tilak and Ranade may have wished to strengthen them in 1877, as Mr. Mansukhlal points out, but then they could scarcely have anticipated the developments of 1920, with Jam and Bikanair as their protecting gods, with their war-time rewards of honours and privileges, and with that great and permanent force—the Chamber of Princes. It is no use appealing to Vedas and Manu, which all but these princes, would gladly accept. It would have been quite a laudable aim; if Government according to Manu and Vedas, would have been aimed at. No responsible man ever aims at wiping out of the existence, the States, both because, it is unpatriotic as it is impossible, and yet none would like to be instrumental in perpetuating the system now in vogue in States.

To come to the matter of constitution, the inclusion of the bureaucracy in its fold is no less objectionable, if not positively harmful. But the most objectionable feature of the whole show is the suggested names, for the presidential honour, among whom are Mr. Manubhai, the Baroda Diwan, with his latest performances in the Baroda Council to his credit, and Sir Prabhashanker Pattani, of whose liberalism, the less said the better. Such is the unhappy outcome of the Kathiawad Political Conference, in whose praise so many voices have become hoarse and so many hands exhausted. Well, may a sceptic call it a Conference of royalists, or a model Conference of the people and for the people, with a bureaucrat in the chair, and bureaucrats on benches, bureaucrats to debate in the Committees and bureaucrats to vote in the Conference, and all that to begin ceremoniously with the precious messages of blessings for the long life and prosperity to the Conference from the palaces of the princes of Kathiawad.

It is hoped as the last alternative that a gentleman outside the bureaucratic arena be selected for the presidential honour and the whole constitution be amended in accordance with the wishes of the majority in the Conference, which, it is unnecessary to add here, ought to be held under any circumstances.

"KATHIAWAD OPINION."

The latest and the most useful addition to Kathiawad journalism has been the reappearance of the old fortnightly "Gnanottejak" in its new frab of the weekly "Kathiawad Opinion." With the rejuvenated "Kathiawad Times", and the little "Kathiawad", now supplemented by the "Kathiawad Opinion" the public life of Kathiawad holds promise of a hopeful future of vigorous action. It is hoped that there will not be any unhealthy rivalry between these few organs of public opinion in Kathiawad. It is expected of the "Kathiawad Opinion" in particular, that it would be more dignified and fitting if it touches less on the personalities and confines itself more to the principles. It should take care that its energetic staff does not import in the controversies of Kathiawad the Venom of the Arya Samaj propaganda and that it helps to create the healthy smooth public life in the province.

KATHIAWAR NEWS.

FIGHT BETWEEN POLICE AND OUT LAWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

KATHIAWAD, Dec. 20.

A notable fight has been reported to have taken place between the famous Koli gang of outlaws on one hand and the Babra police force on the other hand near Savala in Babra Than. The Police fozdar received a bullet wound in his thigh and the outlaws are understood to have lost one of their men. The wounded fozdar is under treatment in the Rajkote West Hospital.

A manifesto and counter manifesto denouncing and upholding holding of the political conference, the former by the managing Committee of the Kathiawad Sabha and the latter by Mr. Mansukhlal and the provisional secretaries are published and thus, the most undesirable feud has begun, just in the prime of the public life of Kathiawad.

Thakore Saheb of Morvi is understood to be negotiating with his agriculturists to give them the proprietary rights on the lands held by them, on condition of their paying him two thousand rupees per hundred bighas of land as also that no Aghat documents will be passed to them by the State and the State can resume these lands at any time by the payment of Rs. 2,200.

Mr. Mansukhlal R. Mehta and Mr. Kalianrai J. Baxi were on a tour in Sorath in the last week. It is not out what came out their visit to Junagadh; but in Mangrol they held two public meetings and explained the line of work to be followed in the political conference and lectured on the duties of the princes as well as people.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S MADRAS PROGRAMME.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

MADRAS, Dec. 22.

So far as it is at present known, the following is the probable programme of H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught's visit in Madras. His Royal Highness, on landing at the harbour in the afternoon of January 10th, will receive an Address from the Corporation of Madras and will then drive in State to the Government House. On Tuesday afternoon, there will be a Garden Party at the Government House. On Wednesday the 12th, His Royal Highness will drive in State from the Government House to the fort to inaugurate the new council and will attend the races at Guindy in the afternoon in State. In the morning of Thursday, there will be a Boy Scout's rally on the island and, in the afternoon, His Royal Highness will attend a Garden Party given by the President of the Legislative Council. On the evening of the 14th, he will attend a Reception to be given by the National Indian Association and on Saturday evening, after attending the Evening Party by the Zemindars of the Presidency at the Senate House, he will leave Madras.

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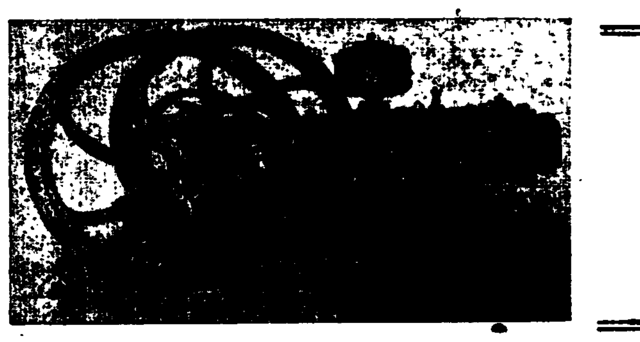

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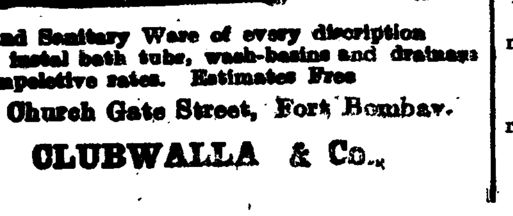

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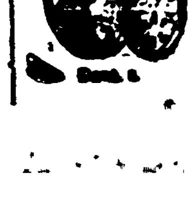

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SWARAJYA SABHA ACTIVITIES.

NATIONAL EDUCATION.

GUJARAT MAHAVIDYALAYA FOUNDED.

NETWORK OF NATIONAL SCHOOLS IN GUJARAT.

The following is a continuation of the Non-Co-operation programme of the report published in our Thursday issue of the work of the Swaraja Sabha:—

NATIONAL EDUCATION.

The Non-Cooperation programme of the special Congress regarding education aims at the withdrawal of students from Government aided and controlled institutions as well as the establishment of schools and colleges on national lines. So far as the former object was concerned, agitation was carried on amongst the students and the general public along with the compaign for the boycott of the councils, but for the latter it was found necessary to create an export agency. This was brought into existence in the shape of the Gujarat Vidyapith by the efforts of the education Committee of the Gujrat Rajkiya Mandala. This committee submitted a provisional constitution of the Vidyapith on the 18th October. The constitution for obvious reasons could not be final or complete. It was in fact a working constitution imposing on bodies created by it the duty of preparing a detailed scheme. The committee mentioned above with added members was created a first Senate of the Vidyapith. The general principles were then laid down for the guidance of the Senate, the more important of which are given below.—

1. The Vidyapith may not affiliate any institution recognised by the Government or any Official University.

2. The race, cast, or religion of no individual may be a bar to his education. It has been decided to withhold affiliation from any institution that invidiously keeps out the so called depressed classes.

3. Gujrati shall be the medium of the instruction in all the institutions of the Vidyapith.

GUJRAT MAHAVIDYALAYA.

The most important event in the brief history of the Vidyapith is the foundation of a full-fledged arts college, called the Gujrat Mahavidyalaya. The college was opened by Mahatma Gandhi, who became the Chanceller of the Vidyapith, and the management was entrusted to Principal A. T. Gidwani, who has been since elected a Vice Chancellor of the Vidyapith. The College naturally attracted the students who had given up their studies in the Arts college of the Bombay University, in pursuance of the programme of Non-Cooperation.

The college opened with 57 students on its rolls and has now 85 students. Applications for admission are received daily from different parts of India, but the scope of the University being provincial, such applications are not encouraged. Starting in the middle of the year, it was found expedient to adhere, to the Bombay University curriculum with slight modifications for the current sessions. Gujarati has been made compulsory in all the examinations of the Vidyapith. A simple test in Gujarati has been devised for non-Gujarati students. Meanwhile the Boards of studies are busy on the scheme for the future.

The Mahavidyalaya is staffed as follows:—

Mr. A. T. Gidwani (Ex-principal, Ramjas College, Delhi) Principal, Professor of English. Mr. D. B. Kalelkar (of the Rashtriya Gujarat Shala, Sabrmati) Professor of Economics. Mr. G. K. Agarwala, Professor of History. Mr. R. V. Pathak (of the Gujarat Kelavani Mandal) Professor of Gujarati. Mr. P. V. Pathak (of the Gujarat Kelavani Mandal) Professor of English. Mr. N. D. Parikh (of the Rashtriya Shala) Professor of Gujarati. Mr. R. B. Athavle (Ex-professor of Gujarat College, Ahmedabad) Professor of Sankskrit. Mr. Pathak (of the Gujarat Kelavani Mandal) Professor of Sanskrit. Mr. M. B. Godbole (Ex-professor, Gujarat College, Ahmedabad) Professor of Mathematics. Pandit Nandkishore Vidyalankar (Ex-Professor, Ramjas College, Delhi) Professor of Hindi and Sanskrit. Mr. Vinayak N. Bhave (of the Rashtriya Shala) Professor of Sanskrit and Theology. Mr. Bhonsale (School of Sociology, Bombay) Professor of Economics.

A Professor of Persian and a Professor of Physics will join shorly.

A SECOND GRADE ARTS COLLEGE.

Shortly after the institution of the above college, a second grade Arts College was also founded at Surat by the local National Education Committee. It was opened by Mr. V. J. Patel on the 25th November 1920. It is staffed as follows:—

Mr. Prasankumar Basu (Ex-professor, National University of Bengal). Principal and Professor of English, Mr. Shiraram Ayar, Professor of Economics, Mr. K. Sen, Professor of Mathematics, Mr. A. C. Patel, Professor of Gujarati, Mr. C. A. Buch, Professor of Physics and Chemistry, Mr. C. I. Desai, Professor of History.

More than 3,000 students are now reading in institutions, under the control of the Vidyapith. The Proprietary High School of Ahmedabad owned by Messrs. Thakkar and Divan with 1349 students now on its rolls is one of our greatest assets. The proprietors never received any grant from the Government and as soon as the Vidyapith scheme was evolved they severed connection with the Government and offered whole-hearted cooperation to the Vidyapith.

ADHERENCE OF SCSOOLS.

The following schools have been affiliated to the Vidyapith:—

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The Nutan Vidyalaya, Godhra (Formerly New English High School) 142 Students, the Rashtriya Shala, Kalol 32 Students, the Primary Rashtriya Shala, Kalak 45 Students, the Rashtriya Shala, Dhudhakuwa, 45 Students.

Schools at following places have been nationalised and work in cooperation with the Vidyapith, though they have not yet affiliated themselves to the Vidyapith:—

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Arrangements are being made to start National schools at Mandal, Kathlal and Jambusar, the proprietors of the following schools have declared their intention to nationalise their schools on dates shown against them.

The High School, Modasa, 1st January 1921, 144 Students, the High School, Jambusar 1st March 1921.

OTHER VIDYAPITH ACTIVITIES.

Performing as it does the functions of a University as well as a department of education the Vidyapith is prepared to extend grant-in-aid to schools when necessary. It has so far decided to aid the Navi Gujarati Shala of Ahmedabad, a school started by the Gujarat Kelavani Mandal.

A Research Institute is being organised under the guidance of Muni Jinvijayji, late of the Bhandarkar Research Institute, Poona. A Quarterly Journal will be issued from the institute incorporating the work of its scholars.

Matriculation, Inter-arts and B.A., examinations of the University will commence on 14th March 1921. Alternative questions will be set to suit candidates coming from different universities. The M.A., examination will be held in the courses of all universities. In the case of examinations other than M.A., exemption from attendance at the Mahavidyalaya after Non-Cooperation with old institutions will be extended and to those candidates who were given that privilege in their respective universities.

APPENDIX "A."

Statement of Voters.—In view and in virtue of the resolution of the Special Session of the National Congress and the All India Moslem League, I being a voter in the electorate of for election to the reformed councils hereby place on record my desire that I do not wish to be represented at the Provincial Council (or the Legislative Assembly or the Council of State) and hereby inform all candidates for election that if they seek election in spite of my wish to the contrary, they will not represent me. I do not desire to be represented in the reformed councils till justice has been granted in the matters of the Khilafat and the Punjab and Swarajya is established in India.

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APPENDIX "B."

The Duty of Voters.—The Special Session of the Congress by an overwhelming majority has decided in favour of complete Boycott of the Reformed Councils. It is therefore your duty not to vote for any candidate for election to the Reformed Councils It is however necessary for any candidate who wishes to stand in your name to know that you do not wish him or anybody else to represent you. For that purpose you are requested to sign the accompanying form that has been prepared for your signature, and to return it to this office.

APPENDIX "C."

Volunteers working among the voters.—(1) Volunteers should carefully explain the Congress resolution to voters particularly that part which relates to the "Boycott of Councils."

(2) They should explain the form to be signed by the voters.

(3) They must not on any account use any pressure of threat on or against any voter declining to sign the form.

(4) Signatures should on no account be taken from voters who have not thoroughly understood the Congress resolution and the argument in favour of "Boycott of Councils."

(5) Volunteers should be uniformally courteous in their dealing with voters.

(Sd.) M. K. GANDHI.

APPENDIX "D."

The following lectures were delivered under the auspices of the Sabha:—

On 19th September, 1920, on "Boycott of Councils" by Swami Satyadevji, at Shantaram's Chawl.

On 30th September, 1920, on "Boycott of Councils" by Swami Satyadevji at Khoja Moholla Mandvi.

On 15th October, 1920, on "Boycott of Councils" by Mr. V. J. Patel at Santaram's Chawl.

On 17th October, 1920, on "Non-Co-operation in Hungary" by Mr. V. J. Patel at Morarji Goculdas Hall.

On 14th November, 1920, on "Boycott of Councils." by Messrs. V. J. Patel, S. G. Shakat Banker, Drs. Alli Sathaye, Velkar, and others, at Khadak Mandvi.

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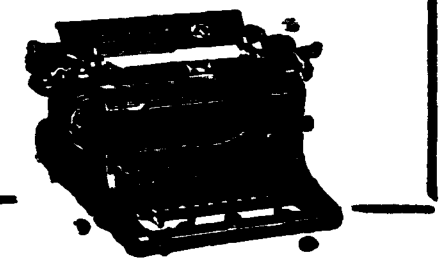

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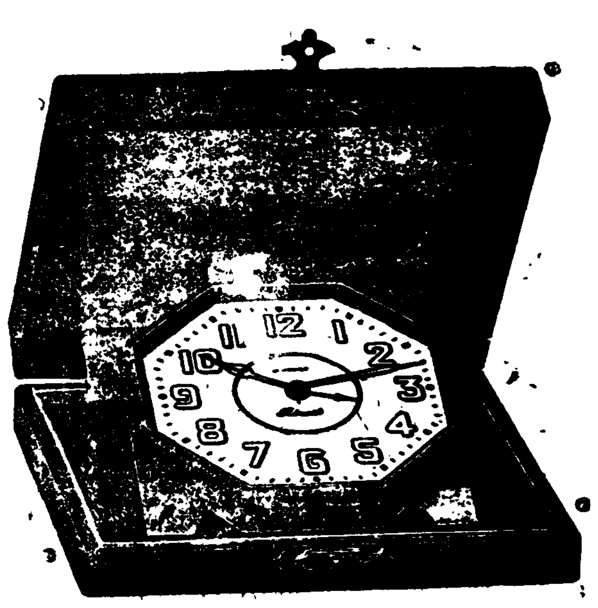

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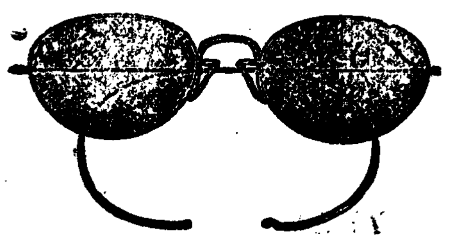

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Buckhingham Mill Firing.

"New India".—We think it extremely improbable that even an excited Indian crowd can be normally so savage as to "annihilate" a band of policemen. Nor can we accept, without independent evidence, that the circumstances permitted of no preliminary warning before the firing. The Commissioner "submits that the firing of three shots in time saved the lives of many men," and that had he delayed further, "the proximity and the attitude of the crowd would have necessitated opening fire by volley." Apart from the fact that the creation of "a moral effect" for the maintenance of order has recently been declared by the Cabinet as not being in consonance with British policy, we are not convinced that by a handling of the situation with skill and tact, the tragedy could not have been averted. There is no explanation for the failure on the part of the Police to render aid to the wounded, not even the superficial one offered in the earlier *communique* that none could be found. We still think that in the interests of fair play and also of the redemption of His Excellency's promise, an enquiry is called for.

Capitalist Tricks.

The "Mahratta".—The history of the struggle for recognition of Trade-Unionism by capitalists is well-known. The capitalists in England and other Western countries tried to thwart all efforts of the Trade Unionists to bring life and vigour in labour world and all their attempts have failed. But in India, the attempts of the capitaists have taken a strange turn. The Buckingham Mill Company succeeded in getting an injunction against Mr. B. P. Wadia and others by an ordinary trick of painting their opponents in horrid colours as interested extremist politicians who have their own axes to grind. The Madras High Court held that Mr. Wadia was guilty of abetting breach of contract between the employers and the employed, and gagged him for the time being. In their reply to the representation of the Union, the capitalists of the Buckingham Mills say that they are ready to recognise the Union but would not tolerate outsiders like Mr. Wadia. Will these tricks be of any avail? Mr. Wadia, though not an operative of the Buckingham Mills, is a wellknown and accredited advocate of labour reform and was deputed by the India Government as an adviser in the International Labour Conference. If men like Mr. Wadia are not to interfere in, advise and guide the national labour movement, who else can do it? The capitalists backed by these injudicious judicial decisions will ride roughshod over and make short work of the labour movement in India. But these tricks will not avail them in the long run.

The Time-Limit.

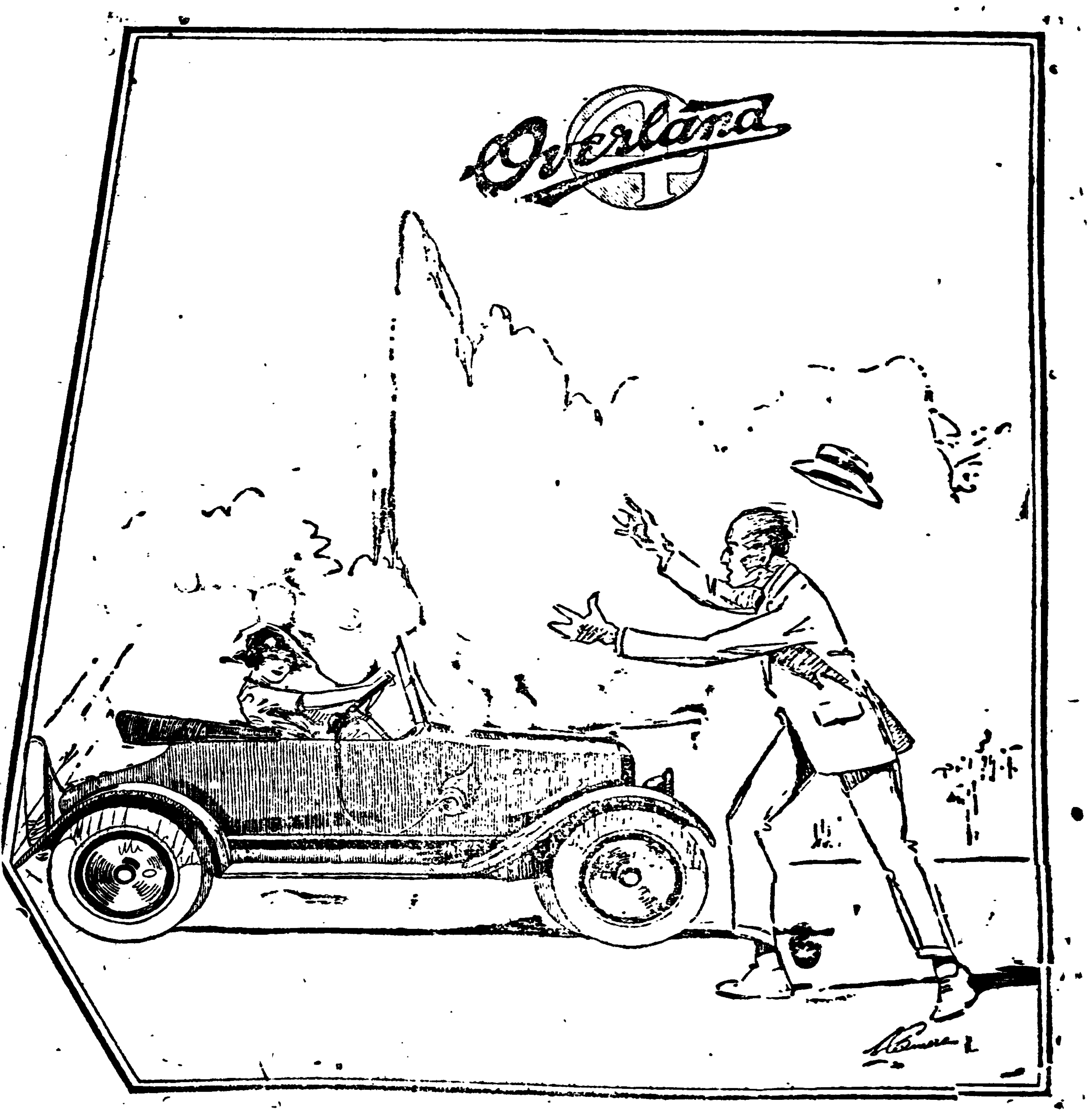
The "Tribune".—Rightly or wrongly, a vast body of public opinion in the country has taken enthusiastically to the non-cooperation movement. What is wanted now is an earnet of the *bonafides* of the Government, and a definite guarantee that responsible government is not to descend upon the country from the heaven of England is small dribblets but that within a definite period which must be fixed by statute, India will be a fully self-governing country. We have made no secret of our opinion that the programme of non-cooperation as at present framed is not likely to lead to the universally desired goal, but may in some respects do more harm then good. Every proposal to remove the present *impasse* is, therefore, to be carefully considered. It is on that account that we heartily welcome the proposals of the Bombay Liberals and of Colonel Wedgwood in this behalf. If the Government adopts the suggestions embodied in these proposals, the situation will be materially eased and the tension will be removed. The fixing by statute of the period within which complete responsible government is to be established in India is the only guarantee of the sincerity of the Government in this matter and, provided the date be sufficiently early, can alone satisfy a people or the majority of them, who earnestly believe and have repeatedly said that they are immediately fit to govern themselves.

Calcutta University.

The "Servants".—The budget outlook of the Calcutta University has been made out to be a dismal one. Prayer and petition, entreaty and supplication having found the Government as inexorable as ever, Sir Asutash Mookerjee has been led to make a piteous appeal to the people of Bengal. In the opinion of Sir Asutosh, "unless the people of Bengal were willing to face the situation and *treat the University as their own* it would have to close." (The italics are ours). Does this imply that the University is really the people's own but is treated as a foundling and not recognized as such? Or is it an offer to the people of Bengal to lip into their purses in order to have the privilege of "owing" a University which is to be run by the henchmen of the bureaucracy? What the people of Bengal, as of the other provinces, want to have is a University of their very own, and not the elusive right to "treat" the Calcutta University as their own. We do not know if Sir Asutosh was speaking in a Pickwickian sense, but he has fairly floored the audience outside the Senate House to whom he addressed his words.

Sadhus and Congress.

The "Rangoon Mail".—We are informed tha tthe Sadhus will be coming to the Congress, this year. The Reception Committee of the Nagpur Congress has decided to admit 100 educated Sadhu visitors. It is also expected that if a considerable number of Sadhus came forward and were elected delegates, some influential members of the All-India Congress Committee would make arrangement for their admission without payment of the delegation fee. It is a happy idea. The Sadhu cannot find a better opportunity of Divine Service than the service of the country—the hallowed country by the sacred feet of Shri Rama Chandra, Shri Krishana, Bhagwan Shankaracharya, a country for the service of which Dadhichi Rishi gave up his bones. National propaganda then become more Dharmic, vigorous and virile. If the Hindu Sadhus would take this step we have no [illegible] the Muslim Moulvis would soon follow.



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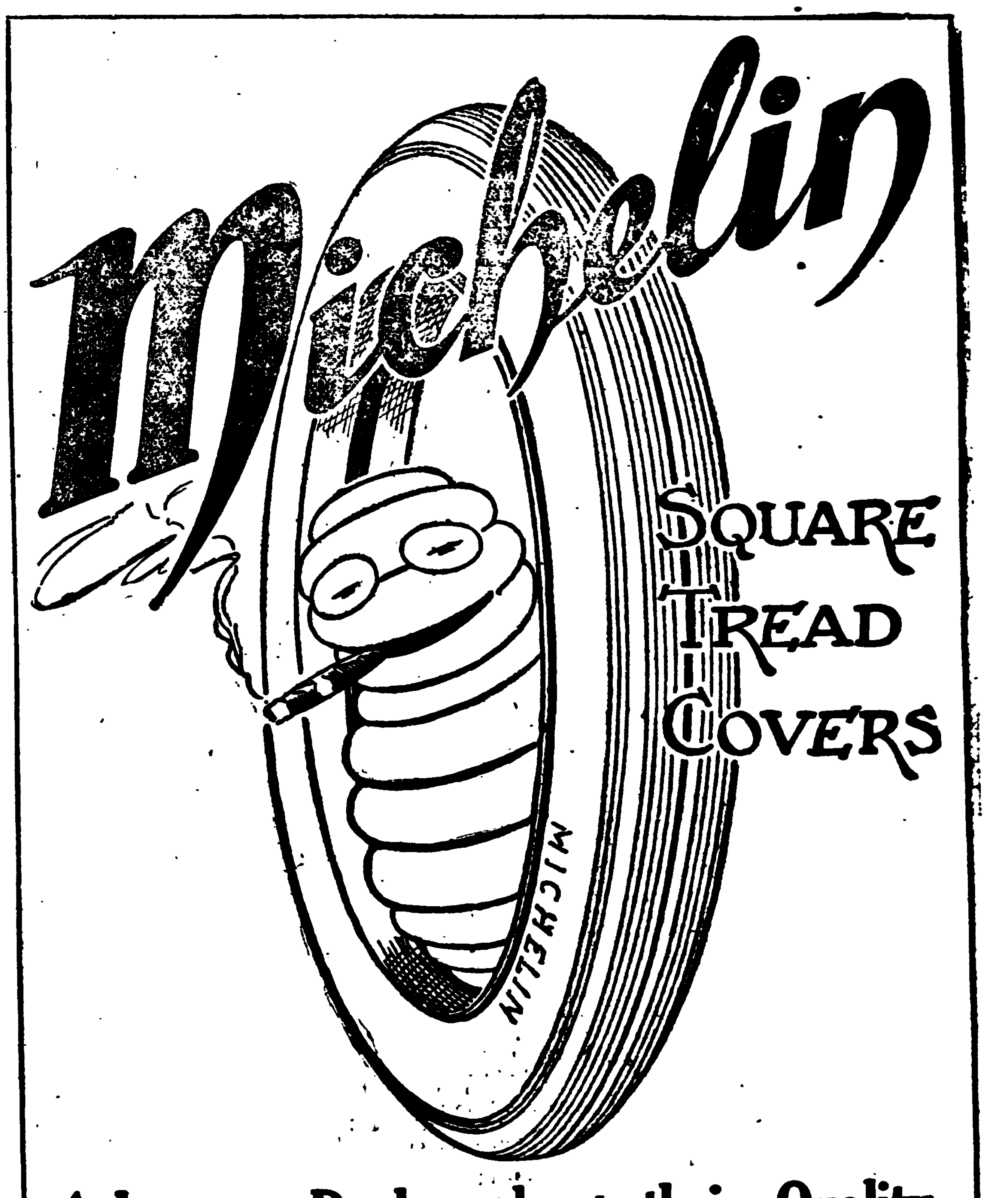

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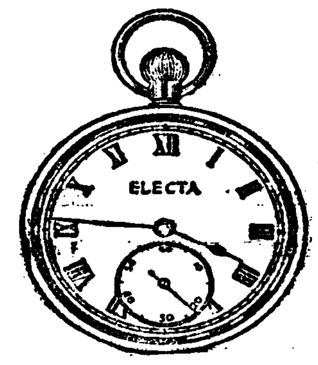

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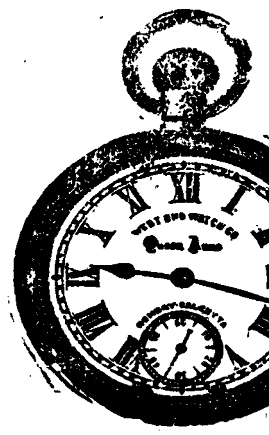

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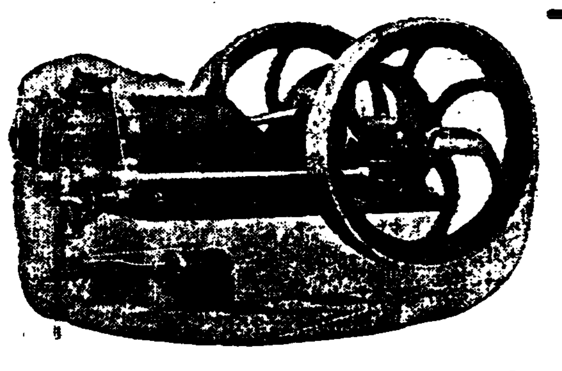

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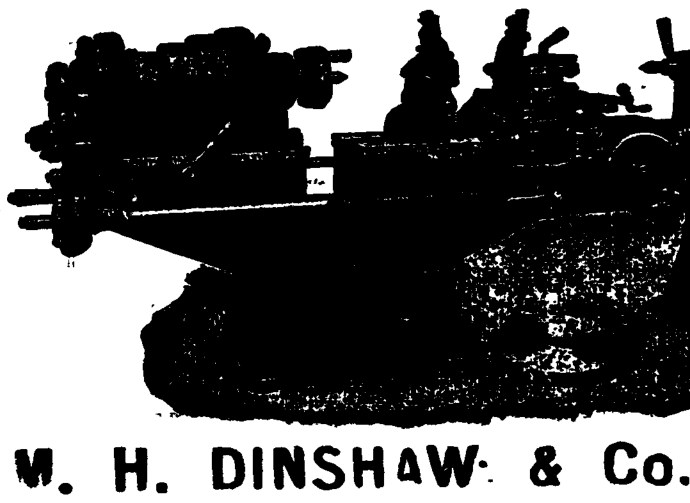

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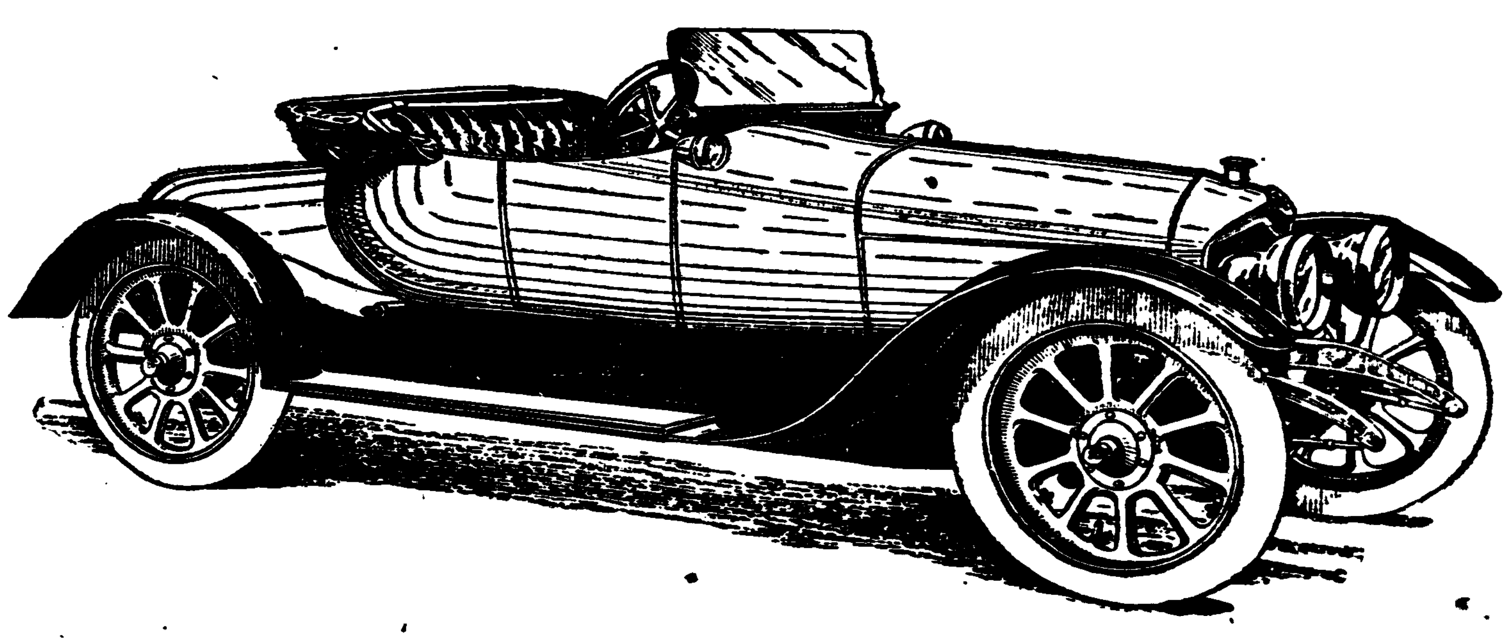

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